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RUMANIAN DICTATOR FORMS NEW PARTY WITH IRON GUARD AS FOUNDATION: PERFECT ORDER RESTORED CLAIMED

ACCORDING TO A LONDON MESSAGE, GENERAL ANTONESCU, PRIME MINISTER OF RUMANIA, HAS FORMED A NEW PARTY WITH THE IRON GUARD AS A FOUNDATION. A communique issued by Gen. Antonescu stated: "From today the Party will be under my personal leadership. From today there will be a new order in Rumania."

General Antonescu earlier issued an official communique stating that he was undisputed master of the situation and perfect order had been restored.

The Rumanian authorities have promised the arrest of all legionnaires and new mayors will be appointed throughout the country within 48 hours.

HITLER MAY STILL BE FORCED TO TRY DIVERSION IN THE BALKANS

"People in Germany are beginning to ask themselves: Where is this great victory that was promised us and why this long delay in the subjugation of Britain? The dictators cannot allow that question to develop. So Herr Hitler wants something to show them. Perhaps he is not yet ready for his great gamble of invasion—so, in the meantime, he may be forced to try a diversion in the Balkans. We shall soon see."

The above comment was made by MR. CYRIL LAKIN, B.B.C. news commentator, when he broadcast from London yesterday on the latest developments in the international situation.

PATHEPIC ATTEMPT

Mr. Lakin first referred to the pathetic attempt made by the Italian propaganda machine to minimise the loss of Tobruk. Although Signor Ansaldo had not made any "woe, woe" statement yet, it did seem as if his warning about Bardia had gone unheeded.

Mr. Lakin mentioned a Rome broadcast which had stated: "Germany does not intend to play the traitor to Italy. The German people are loyal, magnanimous and understanding. Germany has gained a warm place in the hearts of the Italian people, except for a few disreputable aristocrats whose chief occupation is playing golf."

Mr. Lakin said that this statement showed how much Italian nerves had been shaken, as was the monstrous invention by Rome radio that British reports admitted particularly serious losses in Tobruk.

RECORD BALANCE SHEET

"As we know," continued Mr. Lakin, "our losses were under 500 and for the whole campaign our losses in killed and wounded are hardly 2,000. When you put that against the 100,000 prisoners taken by the British you get a balance sheet that no campaign in history has equalled."

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NEW BATTLESHIP TAKES HALIFAX TO AMERICA

H.M.S. KING GEORGE V, with LORD HALIFAX, NEW BRITISH AMBASSADOR TO THE UNITED STATES, and LADY HALIFAX on board, was reported to have arrived in New York waters yesterday, according to a message from London.

She was sighted in Chesapeake Bay and was expected to drop anchor at any time.

The news that this latest of British battleships had been put into commission had been kept secret until yesterday.

The King George V is one of five battleships launched in 1939 the others being the Prince of Wales, Duke of York, Jellicoe and Beatty.

EARL KILLED

NAIROBI, Jan. 24 (Reuter)—The Earl of Erroll was killed in a motor accident here.

Thirty-nine years old, the Earl was a member of the Kenya Legislative Council and from 1929 to 1932, was Honorary Attaché at the British Embassy in Berlin.

CHINA AS ALLY OF AMERICA

NEW YORK, Jan. 24 (Reuter)—MR. T. V. SOONG, described China as an ally of the United States, "holding your ramparts in the Pacific" in a speech before the China Society in America.

"By engaging Japan in a long exhausting war and destroying over 1,000,000 Japanese soldiers, containing another 1,250,000 which could otherwise be used to support the German and Italian allies, Chinese resistance has been and will continue to be of value to the democratic cause," he declared.

"Peace now would only be a temporary armistice with all the advantages accruing to Japan. As the Sino-Japanese conflict is part of a general struggle, enduring peace can only come as part of a general world settlement."

PARTHIAN SINKS ITALIAN SHIP

The Commander-in-Chief of the Mediterranean Fleet in a communique announced yesterday that the Italian submarine, PARATHIAN, well known as the China Station) has sunk a heavily-laden Italian supply ship, of 7,000 tons, off the south of Italy.

The London message adds that this shows how the British submarines in the Mediterranean are carrying out their task of interrupting Italian seaborne traffic. (Special)

Second Detective Shot Dead Within Two Weeks

Daring Robbery At Grocery Premises

Encountering armed men who were apparently acting as "watchers" while other marauders were ransacking a grocery shop in the Shataukok district, New Territories shortly before 7 o'clock last night, DETECTIVE C490 LI YIM of the Hongkong Police Force, was shot dead while DETECTIVE C641 CHAN HUNG was in the arm though not seriously.

It will be recalled that Detective Ip Hung was killed in a street in the Tai O district on Jan. 15.

Last night's incident occurred at Border Road, near Shataukok blockhouse.

MORE EMPLOYMENT IN AUSTRALIA

Employment in Australia has reached record figures, according to a message from Sydney. There were now fewer Unionists out of work than at any time and the number unemployed was four per cent, less than when the war began and within 1.7 per cent, of the lowest level of unemployment. (Special)

According to a report made to the Police by a woman, Ko Lal-sang, age 38, mistresses of the Yat San Cheung grocery shop, in Shataukok Market, seven Chinese males entered the premises on the pretext of buying soya beans. Six of them produced revolvers and proceeded to ransack the shop.

While this was in progress, Detectives Li Yim and Chan Hung passed the shop. They apparently encountered one or more armed men who were acting as "watchers". What actually happened is not yet clear but Li Yim was killed instantaneously and Chan Hung injured. The latter was sent to hospital.

SHOTS EXCHANGED

Sergeants Hewitt and L. H. Oakley were attracted to the scene and gave chase after the robbers in the course of which shots were exchanged.

The marauders escaped in the darkness and a search has since indicated that they bolted into Chinese territory.

From the grocery establishment they stole \$2,000 Chinese currency, \$160 Hongkong money and 70 tins of various brands of cigarettes.

Mr. G. Wilson, A. S. P. (New Territories) proceeded to the scene and took charge of investigations. The body of Li Yim was later removed to the mortuary.

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WAVELL'S ARMY CONTINUING TO MOVE WESTWARD: R.A.F. MADE NO FEWER THAN 87 RAIDS ON TOBRUK DAY BEFORE FINAL ASSAULT

British Killed, Wounded Hardly Two Thousand

The latest Cairo communique is as follows:—
Libya—OUR TROOPS ARE CONTINUING THEIR SUCCESSFUL ADVANCE WESTWARD.

This official statement is the first intimation received in London that General Wavell's army has already dealt with most of the problems and are moving forward again.

It is estimated that the final figure of prisoners captured in Tobruk will be 20,000, states a London message. The prisoners include an Italian corps commander, divisional commander, two generals and an admiral.

The town, the report adds, lay under a cloud of black smoke from burning buildings and ships set on fire by the Italians.

Small bands of Italians who hid in ravines west of Tobruk have been stalked down by the British infantry.

Tobruk is the first Italian town captured with a civilian population of nearly 10,000. Apparently the Italians evacuated most of the Europeans and left behind the Jews and Arabs.

The day before the final assault the Royal Air Force made no fewer than 87 raids on the town. In spite of intensive activities British losses in planes on the North African coast totalled three.

The spectacular advance of the British forces covered 200 miles.

GREATER IMPORTANCE

Commenting on the victory, THE TIMES says that there may not have been quite the same haul of prisoners and material as at Sidi Barrani and Bardia but the capture of Tobruk was strategically of greater importance and showed that the tide of victory had not been arrested by the lengthening of communications.

The capture of Tobruk, the paper adds, must be considered in conjunction with the recapture of Kassala, the Italian retreat into Eritrea and the stirring of the revolt in Abyssinia.

"Tobruk is the graveyard of the Italian hopes in Africa."

SUBSTITUTIONS FOR LEASE AND LEND BILL

Two Bills have been introduced in Washington by isolationists in substitution for President Roosevelt's Lease and Lend Bill, states a London message.

Senator Johnson proposes the lending of \$800,000,000 worth of equipment while Senator Taft proposes the loan of \$250,000,000 to Britain, \$125,000,000 to Canada and \$125,000,000 to Greece. (Special)

Today's News Summary

THE IMPERIAL FORCES ARE CONTINUING their advance westward after the capture of Tobruk. The total number of prisoners is 14,000 but it is stated that the figure may probably reach 20,000. One London newspaper has described Tobruk as the graveyard of Italian hopes in Africa and also of Graziani's reputation.

THE RUMANIAN DICTATOR, General Antonescu, has claimed that he is undisputed master of the situation and has now formed a new party with the Iron Guard as the foundation. It is promised that all legionnaires will be arrested. Some insurgents, however, have refused to lay down their arms.

ONE OF BRITAIN'S LATEST BATTLESHIPS, H.M.S. King George V has arrived in American waters with Lord Halifax, the new British Ambassador to the United States, who was appointed in succession to the late Lord Lothian, on board, accompanied by Lady Halifax. The arrival of the vessel is accorded an enthusiastic welcome in the New York Press.

MORE SUCCESSES ARE CLAIMED by the Greeks in Albania and R.A.F. support continues in the central sector.
H.M. SUBMARINE PARTHIAN, well-known to Hongkong waters, has sunk an Italian supply ship, of 7,000 tons, off the south of Italy.



GEN. SIR ARCHIBALD WAVELL

STOP PRESS

General Wavell has sent a message to London in which he paid high tribute to the Commander of the Australian forces in his excellent planning which was executed with great dash by the men. (Special)

A United States delegation has arrived in London to discuss the leasing of bases in Newfoundland and the West Indies. Lord Cranborne will preside at the first meeting. (Special)

Owing to the Chinese New Year holidays there will be no issue of the Hongkong Daily Press on Tuesday. Publication will resume on Wednesday.

BANGKOK DENIES PEACE NEGOTIATIONS, REPORT

BANGKOK, Jan. 24 (Reuter)—An official statement broadcast from the Bangkok Radio last night, EMPHATICALLY DENIED VICHY REPORTS OF PEACE NEGOTIATIONS by the French Charge d'Affaires, M. Roger Garreau.

The Radio said that the Thai Government understood the French Legation's attitude and programme.

Last night's High Command communique announces large scale Thai Air Force activity in Cambodia in retaliation for the French raids on Ubon, Prehinhburi and Surindur. Thai airmen bombed a road and railway junction, military depots and the Mongkol-Buri railway terminus was set ablaze.

The French flag at Champasak city was pulled down and the Thai flag hoisted. There was an intense exchange of gunfire on the Mekong frontier as the French landing attempt in the Tongkal region was repulsed.

ARTILLERY ACTIVITY

HANOI, Jan. 24 (Reuter)—There has been an artillery activity in Vientiane and Thakek, declares a communique, adding that in Cambodia, the enemy was routed in the region of Samrong, abandoning their arms and ammunition. Thai planes bombed Sisophon and the French retreating on Prachinburi among other towns. General Mordant has taken over the command of the Indo-Chinese troops and General Pellet of the Cochinchina-Cambodia division.

JAPAN'S "ENDEAVOURS"

TOKYO, Jan. 24 (Reuter)—Mr. Koh Ishii, deputy spokesman of the Information Board, declined to discuss the reported Japanese mediation in the Thai-French Indo-China conflict.

The spokesman said, however, "Japan feels deeper concern than the United States does over the conflict between Indo-China and Thailand which lie nearer to herself, to say nothing of the fact that those countries form part of the Greater East Asia sphere of common prosperity."

Referring to Tokyo conversations regarding Indo-China, Mr. Ishii pointed out the question of Japanese purchases of rice from Indo-China has been settled and French and Japanese negotiators have taken up other questions for discussion.

DEEPER CONCERN

CURTAILED SOFTBALL CARD FOR SUNDAY

No Ladies' Games: "Needle" Encounter In Junior Loop

BY R.O.Y.

Owing to the ground having been requisitioned for the Lai Wah Cup soccer match tomorrow afternoon, a curtailed programme of softball games will be staged at the Kowloon Football Club in the morning. None of the scheduled ladies' games will be played, but a specially arranged attraction will be the Chung Hwa-Victoria Recreation Club match, at 9 a.m., which will probably decide the destination of the second division "Limlap" Trophy.

A full card of second division and Hongkong games will be played at Chatham Road and the Marina grounds respectively.

In preparation for their needle match, the V.R.C. have called a special practice match for 2.45 p.m. today, at the Marina Ground, and the following players are requested to attend. A. C. Brown, A. H. Azedo, M. M. de V. Soares, R. Maxwell, D. Hutchinson, A. E. Ablong, A. V. Ozerio, E. Ribeiro, C. Quinn, L. Roza-Pereira, E. D. da Roza, I. Barradas, R. Castro, S. Izatt, A. A. Remedios, A. A. Noronha, E. Silva, C. Rogério and P. Antonio.

The Chung Hwa boys are also taking this game very seriously and Manager Al Lau is justifiably confident of gaining promotion next year.

SENIOR GAMES

The first of two senior games will see St. Joseph's in action against the Canadian Chinese at 10.30 a.m. The Canucks, although showing improved form in recent outings, are not slated to offer the Saints much opposition and will do well to hold Dave Leonard's hard-hitting outfit to a fairly close margin.

The Indians-Recreio Aces fracas, at 11.45 p.m., should provide the fans with some excellent entertainment as both of these teams are quite well-matched in defensive ability. The Ramblers are conceded a slight edge with the hickory and should take the honours to creep closer to the league leaders.

At Chatham Road, Central British will have a hard time against Cosmopolitan in the opener at 9 a.m., although Pinky Higgins gang should have benefited from their instructive practice sessions with the Mindanao aggregation.

SECOND APPEARANCE

Chung Hwa, in their second appearance of the day, should meet with little opposition from the Royal Scots who are, as yet, hardly experienced enough to upset the potential junior champions.

The V.R.C. also take the field a second time when they clash with

Liga Portuguesa at 11.30 a.m. If they manage to down Chung Hwa earlier in the day, the swimmers won't take any chances on throwing their pennant hopes away.

Chartered Bank and Shell Oilers tangle in the only Hong game at 10.30 a.m., and a great fight should result in a narrow victory for the Oilers who have several senior loop players in their line-up.

HOLIDAY FARE

Several charity matches have been arranged for the holidays. Combined Ladies clashing with the Kowloon Footballers at 2.15 p.m. on Monday, with the U.S. Navy and Mohawks staging a return tussle in the nightcap at 3.30 p.m. In aid of the Bomber Fund. Fans who witnessed their last nine-inning thriller will look forward to seeing another classic.

On Tuesday at 3.30 p.m., the Mohawks tangle with a representative Portugal squad in aid of St. Vincent de Paul. Admission on both days will be a mere 50 cents, so the stands should be packed to capacity.

SCHEDULE AND UMPIRES

Kowloon Football Club
9 a.m. Chung Hwa v. V.R.C. (Bill Woo, J. Fonseca, G. G. Lee)
10.30 a.m. Canucks v. St. Joseph's (Kitchell, Figueredo, Nazarin)
11.45 a.m. Recreio Aces v. Indians (Wing Lee, H. Quon, S. Leonard)

Chatham Road

9 a.m. C.B.A. v. Cosmopolitan (P. K. Lau, Al. Lau, C. S. Chung)
10.15 a.m. Chung Hwa v. Royal Scots (Higgins, Oliver, W. Woo)
11.30 a.m. Liga v. V.R.C. (J. Welford, C. Wing Lee, T. Young)

Marina Ground

10.30 a.m. Chartered Bank v. Shell (B. Laurel, Ng, M. Sousa)

MONDAY, Jan. 27

2.15 p.m. Combined Girls v. Kowloon F.C. (A. Liu, Waggoner, Hearther)
3.30 p.m. U.S. Navy v. Mohawks (A. Liu, Bill Woo, Nip Lum)

TUESDAY, Jan. 28

3.30 p.m. Mohawks v. Portugal (Bill Woo, Nip Lum, T. Chan)

Fanling Golf

STARTING TIMES FOR WEEK-END

The Royal Hongkong Golf Club starting times for Fanling today and tomorrow are as follows:—

SATURDAY Old Course

p.m.
2.12 E. G. Price, F. N. Merritt
2.16 Dodwell & Co. v. Butterfield & Swire
2.20 J. W. Clague, F. A. Howard
2.24 P. M. Cotton, H. M. Rowland
2.32 M. A. Annett, Col. Matthews.

SUNDAY Old Course

a.m.
9.16 G. T. Harrington, Capt. Thursby
9.20 H. Overy, A. H. McBride
9.24 R. R. Pearson, J. W. McKee
9.28 J. G. Jensen, M. A. Annett
9.32 G. M. Park, A. B. Purves
9.36 A. V. Greaves, W. M. Barton
9.40 I. H. Gearce, A. D. Humphreys
9.44 C. W. E. Bishop, D. S. Robb
9.48 D. MacAlister, W. A. MacKinlay
9.52 A. C. Meredith, W. Hewitt
9.56 K. S. Robertson, R. S. W. Paterson
10.00 General Grasset, Major Meek
10.04 G. R. Horridge, J. Hackney
10.08 B. O. Baldwin, J. Fisterre
10.12 J. L. C. Pearce, D. I. Bosanquet
10.16 C. B. Burgess, J. A. Ritchie
10.20 A. K. Mackenzie, T. A. Pearce
10.24 H. N. Williamson, T. J. Price
10.28 S. L. Lloyd, A. W. Bourne.

LAI WAH CUP

Civilians Should Beat Navy

The first game in the Lai Wah Cup football competition will be played tomorrow when, on the Kowloon ground, ROYAL NAVY will meet the CIVILIANS who on previous form should win.

Can POLICE repeat their previous performance when they meet SING TAO at Boundary Street this afternoon? The Chinese are playing much better now and should gather full points.

In the other League matches KOWLOON should take both points from ST. JOSEPH'S while CLUB may upset the Royal Scots.

10.32 M. L. Reidy, W. J. E. MacKenzie
10.36 I. H. C. Highet, D. C. Davis
10.40 R. P. Morris, H. A. Mills
10.44 J. S. Lee, M. G. Carruthers
10.48 J. Linaker, J. Harrop
10.52 Major Penfold, A. H. Guinness
10.56 R. H. Challinor, K. A. Munro
11.00 Capt. Barclay, Surg. Lt. Cdr. Page

New Course

a.m.
9.24 Gibb, Livingstone & Co. v. B. & S.
9.28 Gibb, Livingstone & Co. v. B. & S.
9.32 Gibb Livingstone & Co. v. B. & S.
9.36 Gibb Livingstone & Co. v. B. & S.
9.44 T. Megarry, A. McKellat
10.12 D. L. Newbiggin, J. C. Taylor

NOTE:—New Belle train on Saturdays and Sundays only leaves Sheungshui at 6.17.

ANNUAL RACING CARNIVAL

ENTRIES FOR FOURTH DAY

1.—11.30 a.m.—Blue Mountains Plate.—(First Section).—Winner \$1,500, Second \$500, Third \$300. For Australian Subscription Ponies of 1941. Weight for inches as per scale. Winners barred. Jockey Allowance. Entrance \$10. One Mile.

A Fine Time 152 lbs. Araxy II 152, Archer 152, A. Rosy Time 149, A. Surprising Time 152, Baffle 152, Beauford 152, Bendigo 152, Bona Vacantia 152, Casino 149, Castle Hill 152, Corsair 149, Corvette 152, Dashing Beauty 152, Daylight 152, Dignitas 149, Dutch Treat 152, Endeavour 152, Fresh Air 149, Hole In One 149, Jungle Love 149, King's Flight 152, Leading Star 152, Luxury 152, Mainsail 152, Maple Leaf 149, Never-Never 152, Newborn Star 152, Newmarket Day 149, Nigger 152, Ogile 152, Red Rabbit 152, Reinder 152, Royal Sovereign 152, Santa Anita 152, Seal River 149, Senorita 149, Spitfire 149, Sunspot 152, Swallow 152, Sydney Diamond 152, The Hawk 152, The Koala Bear 152, Tobacco-ship 149, Trade Wind 149, Twinkling Star 152, United Express 152, Vicar 152, Vigor 152, Vitamin M. 152, Whampoa 149, Wonderful Show 149.

2.—12.00 Noon.—Grand Stand Stakes.—Winner \$1,500, Second \$500, Third \$300. For China Ponies, bona fide Griffins of this Meeting. Weight for inches as per scale. Winners barred. Entrance \$10. Six Furlongs.

Beautifulight 152 lbs. Bluegrass (late Law and Order) 152, Charlesber 152, Eve of Deception 149, Eve of Grandeur 152, Eve of Paradise 152, Eve of Rest 149, Forty Six 152, Glossylight 152, Infante (late Common View) 152, Iron Beauty 152, Leading Time 152, Lovelylight 152, Lovely View 152, Marvellous Scheme 149, Mauber 152, National Confidence 152, National Integrity 152, National Resistance 149, Night Express 152, Odeon (late Alexandria Bay) 152, Oolong 152, Palber 152, Quick Step 149, Raconteur 152, Rosylight 152, Royber 152, Sam's Choice 149, Sand Trap 152, Sea Foam 152, Standard Express 149, Velvetlight 152, Walber 152, Well

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SPORTING FIXTURES TODAY

CRICKET.—"A" Division: Civil Service C.C. v. Craigengower; Kowloon C.C. v. University; Indian R.C. v. Recreio. "B" Division: Recreio v. Kowloon C.C.; University v. Civil Service C.C.

FOOTBALL.—First Division: Police v. Sing Tao (Boundary Street), 4 p.m.; Kowloon v. St. Joseph's (Kowloon), 4 p.m.; Club v. Royal Scots (Caroline Hill), 4 p.m. Second Division: Service Corps v. Middlesex (Sookunpoo) 4 p.m.; Kit Chee v. Royal Scots (Caroline Hill), 2.30 p.m.; Kowloon v. Ordnance (Kowloon), 2.30 p.m.; Engineers v. South China (Sookunpoo), 4 p.m.; Sing Tao v. Navy (St. Joseph's), 4 p.m.; Club v. Police (Military), 4 p.m. Third Division: International v. 35th R. A. (St. Joseph's), 2.30 p.m.; Engineers v. A.S.A. (Military), 2.30 p.m.

GOLF.—Royal Hongkong Golf Club Stubbs Shield. Third Round.

HOCKEY.—Colony Interport trial (Club ground), 3.30 p.m.
RUGBY.—International Series Final, England v. Scotland (Club ground), 4 p.m.

TOMORROW

CRICKET.—Hongkong University v. European Y.M.C.A. (Pokfulam).

FOOTBALL.—Lai Wah Cup Semi-Final: Royal Navy v. Civilians (Kowloon), 3.30 p.m.

GOLF.—Royal Hongkong Golf Club's Chinese New Year Meeting.

SNOOKER.—Kowloon Police v. Royal Army Medical Corps (Water Police Station) 6 p.m.

SOFTBALL.—Girls (at Kowloon Football Club) Panthers v. Wahos, 9 a.m.; Men's First Division (at Kowloon F.C.) Canucks v. St. Joseph's, 10.30 a.m.; Indians v. Recreio Aces, 11.45 a.m.; Men's Second Division (at Chatham Road) C.B.A. v. Cosmopolitans, 9 a.m.; Chung Hwa v. Royal Scots, 10.15 a.m.; Liga Portuguesa v. V.R.C., 11.30 a.m.; Royal Engineers v. South China, 12.45 p.m.; Inter-Hong (at Marina) Chartered Bank v. Shell, 10 a.m.; Hongkong Bank v. Texaco, 11.15 a.m.

FANLING HUNT TO HOLD POINT-TO-POINT MEETING: FIFTEEN TEAMS ENTER BY "RATCATCHER"

THE FANLING HUNT WILL HOLD ITS FIRST POINT-TO-POINT OF THE SEASON AT 3 P.M. TOMORROW (SUNDAY, JAN. 26).

The point-to-point this year is being run on a new basis. Competitors are forming teams of two, the first team being the one gaining the best marks, with marks being allotted in the individual order of finishing.

Fifteen teams (30 individual riders) have been entered and they represent the following organisations:—

30th Heavy Battery, R.A.; 5th A.A. Regiment, R.A.; 2nd Mountain Battery, H.K.S.R.A.; The Royal Scots (2 teams), The Middlesex Regiment, The Cottage Club (4 teams), Ex-Mounted Infantry, H.K. V.D.C., Old Rugbians, "H2" (The Yacht Club), The Hongkong Club—Snake Pitt.

STARTING POINT

The starting point will be near Dill's Corner and from there, with no flags to mark the course, over or under natural obstacles, competitors will make their way to the Winning Post on the Race Course at Kwant, which will be marked by flags.

Australian ponies are conceding 14 minutes to China ponies at the start.

Anyone may win, irrespective of the speed of his mount, as there are about five different routes to take and it remains to be seen which is the shortest. If I were making a book, I should make the oldest horse favourite, as he probably knows the shortest way and will probably not be deterred by any efforts on the part of the rider to "alter course." A whisper has been round asking if you may "use horse-boxes?"

The Hongkong Jockey Club would find great difficulty in handicapping an event of this sort by weight. Therefore, as we are at a loss to know what to do, we have ruled that weights will not be declared, mostly to conceal the fact that we are ashamed to be only 90 lbs. or a mere 220 lbs. What does it matter, anyway? as people generally buy horses that are up to their own weight.

After the race, the prizes will be presented at the "Hunters' Arms."

Entries For Junior Chess Tourney

Entries received to date for the Colony Open Junior Chess Championship now number nine. Players who will compete in the Tournament are R. C. Danenberg, D. Drake, R. C. Gardner, J. Grefalda, V. V. Kolatchoff, Wm. Lee, E. Petrov, A. C. Poupard and To Yu-lau.

The Tournament is open to the Colony, and all entries should be addressed to Mr. A. Kurrik, Hon. Secretary of the Colony Chess Championship Committee, care of the Government Analysts Department. The entry fee is \$3.

Entries will be received up to Jan. 30 (inclusive).

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FRIENDLY BOWLS game against Kowloon Cricket Club on the latter's green on Sunday, Feb. 2. Members of the Mess Volunteer Defence Corps. has arranged to play a friendly bowls will be hosts on this occasion.

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25—Tides: High 9.06 a.m. and 7.58 p.m. Low 2.24 a.m. and 1 p.m.
Sunrise: 7.04 a.m.; Sunset: 6.07 p.m.
Queen's College Prize Day, 11 a.m.
St. Andrew's Society, Burns' Dinner, Peninsula Hotel, 7.45 p.m.
H.K. English Forum Supper Dance, H.K. Hotel.
Kowloon Cricket Club Dance, 9.15 p.m.
Majestic Theatre, Kowloon, Distribution of New Year Gifts to Children under care of H.K.S.P.C.
Indian Association Lunch to Australian Trade Commissioner at the Ritz, 1.15 p.m.
International Rugby Tournament: Final, Club Ground.
26—Tides: High 9.49 a.m. and 8.45 p.m. Low 3.04 a.m. and 1.47 p.m.
Sunrise: 7.04 a.m.; Sunset: 6.08 p.m.
Chinese New Year Eve.
Claims against estate of Charlotte Elizabeth Hastings due.
Y.M.C.A. Discussion Group, 9 p.m.
Speaker: Mr. Chen Han-seung on "How to Up-Lift the Standard of Living in China."
St. Andrew's Church: Special Service to Commemorate Australia and New Zealand Foundation Day, 11 a.m.
Famline Hunt Club—Point-to-Point Meeting, 3 p.m.
Christian and Missionary Alliance Chapel, Kowloon Tong, Special New Year M-tg, 7.30 p.m.
27—Tides: High 10.27 a.m. and 9.27 p.m. Low 3.39 a.m. and 2.36 p.m.
Sunrise: 7.04 a.m.; Sunset: 6.09 p.m.
Chinese New Year—Bank Holiday.
Y.M.C.A. Whist Drive, 9.30 p.m.
Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.P.), Govt. House, 9 a.m.—12 noon.
28—Tides: High 11.03 a.m. and 10.08 p.m. Low 4.13 a.m. and 3.17 p.m.
Sunrise: 7.04 a.m.; Sunset: 6.09 p.m.
Chinese New Year—Bank Holiday.
H.K. Rotary Club, Tiffin Meeting, 1 p.m.
29—Tides: High 11.38 a.m. and 10.42 p.m. Low 4.47 a.m. and 3.57 p.m.
Sunrise: 7.04 a.m.; Sunset: 6.10 p.m.
Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.P.), Govt. House, 9 a.m.—12 noon.
H.K. Committee for Student Relief, Charity Bazaar, St. Paul's College, Pedder Hill.
30—Tides: High 12.08 p.m. and 11.14 p.m. Low 5.17 a.m. and 4.23 p.m.
Sunrise: 7.03 a.m.; Sunset: 6.11 p.m.
H.K. Y's Men's Club, Tiffin Meeting, 1 p.m.
H.K. Committee for Student Relief, Charity Bazaar, St. Paul's College, Pedder Hill.
31—Tides: High 12.38 p.m. and 11.42 p.m. Low 5.48 a.m. and 4.53 p.m.
Sunrise: 7.03 a.m.; Sunset: 6.11 p.m.
Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.P.), Govt. House, 9 a.m.—12 noon.
Kowloon C.C. Extraordinary General Mtg., 8.30 p.m.
H.K. Committee for Student Relief, Charity Bazaar, St. Paul's College, Pedder Hill.
Claims against Sander, Wieler and Co. (in liquidation) due.
Entries close for Junior Chess Championship.
Entries close for Trinity College of Music (Theoretical) Examinations.

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Variety Programmes

12.15 p.m. Short Service of Intercession.

12.30 Schumann—Trio in D Minor, Op. 63.

1st Mov: Allegro appassionato; 2nd Mov: Allegro ma non troppo; 3rd Mov: Andante espressivo; 4th Mov: Con fuoco—Cortot, Thibaud & Casals.

1.00 Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 Raie da Costa at the Piano.

"Stand Up and Sing"—Medley (Chorus): Jazz Goblins ("Raie da Costa").

1.13 Billy Cotton and His Band.

Fox-Trots—There's Something Wrong with the Weather; Wish Me Luck (from "Shipyard Sally"); Comedy Fox-Trot—Ooooo-On Boon! Fox-Trot—Two Dreams Got Together; Fox-Trot—I Shall Be Waiting; Waltz—Bella Bambina.

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.45 Variety.

Comedians—Ye E.B.C.—Flanagan and Allen with Orchestra. Comedienne—He's Tall, Dark and Handsome (Cobias and Sherman); Virginia—There's a Blue Ridge in My Heart—Sophie Tucker assisted by Ted Shapiro with His Orchestra. Duologue—Pancake Tuesday Throughout the Empire—Max Kester and John de Grey.

Monologue—Crazy Commentaries; Red Riding Hood v. The Wolf—Max Kester. Vocal—The Echo of a Song (Mann and Others); Dinner for One Please, James (Carr)—Turner Layton with Piano.

2.15 Close down.

5.45 Indian Programme.

6.30 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

6.32 Variety with Charlie Kunz, Greta Keller and Flotsam & Jetsam.

Vocal—Would You? (Sim San Francisco); Take My Heart (Ah!ert Young)—Greta Keller with Orchestra.

Piano—Charlie Kunz Piano Medley; No. D. 28—Intro: Deep Purple; Medley Say: One Life; The masquerade is over; Beer Barrel Polka—Charlie Kunz with rhythm accomp. Humorous.

—Hello Ma! Is 'E An Aussie, Lizzie, Is 'E?—Mr. Flotsam and Mr. Jetsam with Piano. Piano—Charlie Kunz Piano Medley No. D. 17—Intro: Sunday in the Park; My heaven in the pines; Good-night Angel; Love walked in; So little time; Says my heart—Charlie Kunz with rhythm accomp. Lights Out (Hall)—Greta Keller with Orchestra.

7.00 London Relay—The News.

7.15 London Relay—"Questions of the Hour."

7.30 London Relay—Special Broadcast to the Forces in the Far East.

8.00 Local Time Signal, Weather Report, and Announcements.

8.03 Derek Oldham (Tenor) and De Groot and His Orchestra.

Erstes Walzer—Potpourri (Robert)—De Groot and His Orchestra. Castles in the Air (Rose-Lincke); Alway (Puritan Lullaby)—Divertimenti and Smith—Derek Oldham (Tenor) with Orchestra. La Paloma (Vladimir)—Destiny (Baynes)—De Groot & His Orchestra. I've Found a Whole World in You (Leslie); Dainty Little Maiden (Besley)—Winnie Melville and Derek Oldham (Vocal Duet) with Orch. In "The Night" (Tate); Under the Roofs of Paris (from the film)—De Groot and His Orchestra.

8.35 Film Selections.

"King Revel"—Selection—Pelle Mendelsohn and His Orchestra with Vocal. "Balalaika"—Ride, Cossack, Ride; The Magic of Your Love—Nelson Eddy (Baritone) with Orchestra. "Hitting a New High"—Film Selection; "The Big Broadcast of 1938"—Selection—Carroll Gibbons (Piano) & His Boy Friends. "The Life of Victor Herbert"—I'm Falling in Love with Someone—Allan Jones (Vocal) with Orchestra. "The Story of Vernon and Irene Castle"—Selection—Louis Levy and His Orchestra.

9.00 London Relay—The News and News Commentary.

9.30 Rachmaninoff—Concerto No. 3 in D Minor, Op. 30.

1st Mov: Allegro; 2nd Mov: Intermezzo—Adagio; 3rd Mov: Finale—Allegro—Vladimir Horowitz (Piano) & The London Symphony Orchestra.

10.05 Local sport results.

10.08 Bliz's "Carmen" Act I.

Singers in order of appearance: Ines Alfrani Tellini; Astrid Baracchi; Aureliano Pertile; Bruno Carmassi; Aurora Bundes and Chorus of La Scala, Milan, with the Milan Symphony Orchestra conducted by Lorenzo Molajoli.

11.00 London Relay—Talk: "In My Opinion."

11.15 Variety and Dance Music.

Vocal—A Broken Rosary—James Melton (Tenor) with Organ. Slow Fox-Trot—Indian Summer; Fox-Trot—Oh, Mamma Mia—Gerald and The Savoy Hotel Orch. with Vocal Chorus. Comedian—I'm the Only Bit of Comfort that She's Got; She Said She Wouldn't—Max Miller with Orchestra. Swing Fox-Trot—Casey Jones; I Love a Lassie—Music in the Rugs Morgan Manner with Vocal Chorus. Piano—Star Dust; Musical Caricature—Man with New Radio—Alec Tansleton.

Fox-Trot—My Prayer—Ambrose and His Orchestra. Vocal—Nuits de Miami (Burke)—Josephine Baker with Orch. Rumba—Ain't Cha Comin' Out?—Ambrose and His Orchestra. Comedians—A Little Bit of Madeira; Underneath a Leafy Oak—Vine, More and Nevada with Piano. Waltz—Gipsy Love Song (from "The Fortune Teller")—Harry Horlick and His Orchestra.

12.00 midnight. Close down.

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"SPRING PARADE"

You'll have to travel far and wide to find a better hour of entertainment than Universal's "Spring Parade", which opens tomorrow at the Majestic Theatre.

The star is Deanna Durbin. The picture presents the star as a young village girl who goes to the city. In the metropolis, she meets and falls in love with Robert Cummings, a young blade, and the picture tells the progress of their love affair over a bumpy—and highly laugh-filled—road of complications.

Deanna sings (more beautifully than ever) four numbers—three of them from the pen of Robert Stolz, famous Viennese musician who composed, among others, the beautiful "Two Hearts in Three-Quarter Time." The fourth is "Bibi Danube Dream." All four carry words by Gus Kahn, dean of American lyric writers.

In the large supporting cast are Mischa Auer, Henry Stephenson, Butch and Buddy, Anne Gwynne, Walter Catlett, S. Z. Sakall, Samuel S. Hinds, Alllyn Joslyn, Reginald Denny, Franklin Pangborn, Peggy Moran and others.

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Spectacle, at its most brilliant, and exotic scenes, of Arabian Nights magnificence, are unfolded in the Royal Procession sequences in Alexander Korda's Technicolor adventure romance, "The Thief of Bagdad," which is slated to start a run at the King's Theatre today thru United Artists release. Directed by Ludwig Berger and Michael Powell, "The Thief of Bagdad" stars Sabu, Conrad Veidt, June Duprez and John Justin. Miss Duprez, who is started as a gorgeous Eastern princess, is naturally the highlight of this procession, which was reproduced for "The Thief of Bagdad" exactly as it used to take place in Basra hundreds of years ago.

The make-up department used sixteen experts to make up the 400 extras needed for the big scene in "The Thief of Bagdad." White riders were transformed into bearded natives, lovely dancing girls were made more beautiful, and although large numbers of the crowd were real natives, a touch here and there was necessary to catch the full effect of the Arabian Nights.

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ARMY ATTACK ON TOBRUK PRECEDED BY DAWN-TO-DUSK RAIDS BY BRITISH AIRCRAFT

Anzac Hat Takes Pride Of Place In Centre Of Town

CAIRO, Jan. 24 (REUTERS).—HAVING BROKEN DOWN THE ITALIAN RESISTANCE IN 26 HOURS, CHERRING AUSTRALIANS hauled down the Italian flag in the town centre yesterday and hoisted instead an Anzac hat, writes Reuter's correspondent at Tobruk.

The total number of prisoners is estimated at 20,000 which number includes the Metropolitan 61st Division, the peace-time garrison of the fort, 1,500 members of the naval garrison, and 700 of the crew of the sunken cruiser San Giorgio.

The Military Police and Crusade Corps officials reveal that a hundred civilian technicians and fishermen are also among the prisoners.

The garrison surrendered at 10.15 a.m. on Wednesday morning. Australian cavalry units in Bren gun carriers stormed the main road to the town and broke the steel, concrete, and sand-bagged barrier and then drove in. They were met by a couple of bursts of machine-gun fire to which they promptly replied.

Then the entire garrison surrendered. I followed into the town with khaki clad Australian infantrymen caked with the dust from the Libyan desert and burnt with the sun, and with uniforms torn after days of strenuous fighting.

FORTS SILENCED
As I entered the gateway with the victorious Imperial troops, thousands of exhausted and un-nerved Italians were streaming out. All resistance had virtually ended by sunset the day before.

The Solara Alerente forts had been silenced after stiff fighting, and the stronghold of Pilastrino, which had been putting up terrific artillery fire, had been captured.

During the attack on Pilastrino, the Australians came unsuspectingly on 14 Italian tanks in a dried up river bed. Reinforced by an anti-tank battery, the infantry, although suffering some casualties, knocked out the tanks quickly.

TANK CAPTURED
One Australian captured a tank and its crew of four with his rifle and bayonet.

When Pilastrino was occupied by the British, it was shelled from Solara Alerente forts until they were also taken.

In the open desert between Solara Alerente, the Brigadier commanding the Australians captured Major General Derro Mura of the 61st Metropolitan Division.

Meanwhile the eastern and western sectors of the perimeter defences had been cut off. After that they only resisted spasmodically and quickly surrendered.

IMPORTANT PART
It is almost impossible to exaggerate the important part played in the Libyan offensive by British mechanised units forging ahead and cutting off one vital strong post after another. From the very beginning these units hardly stopped moving.

A famous tank regiment which I visited, chased one Italian division right into Bardia. In the course of this task, they were subjected to formidable Italian air attacks.

On one day alone they had 18 bomber and 15 fighting attacks, but latterly such attacks have been entirely absent owing to the fact that the R.A.F. has smashed up the Italian aerodromes.

DAYLIGHT PATROLS
I was privileged to accompany a daylight patrol climbing up from a deep basin, we gradually approached level ground and made a survey of many miles.

As look-out points against unexpected tank sallies, the Italians had established a series of pole squatters and look-out posts around the whole perimeter of the Tobruk defences. But a young officer told me that many figures seen on these poles proved to be dummies.

Tank traps have also proved formidable and many booby traps and hidden mines were also discovered.

BRILLIANT DRIVE
When General Wavell's forces began the brilliant drive through the desert into Libya it was imperative that they should take Sidi Barrani within five days; had they not done so the drive would have been off.

Reason for this was that the troops had only five days' water supply.

INDIA-CHUNGKING AIR ROUTE

NEW DELHI, Jan. 24 (Reuters).—Members of the Chinese National Aviation Corporation have left here for Calcutta in their own plane via Agra.

Their proposals to link up India with a direct air route to Chungking and Hongkong are under examination by the Government of India.

ATLANTIC EPIC RECALLED

Commander Awarded Victoria Cross

LONDON, Jan. 24 (Reuters).—An unusual tribute to unknown heroes, dead and living, of the Jervis Bay epic was laid in a supplement to the London Gazette issued last night.

After announcing a series of awards including two George Crosses and nine George Medals, the Gazette adds:

"Among those who went down with the Jervis Bay there must have been many, and among the survivors others, whose gallantry, were the whole truth known, deserved decoration."

The above appointments and awards should be taken as an honour to the ship as those who earned them."

The Jervis Bay was the armed merchant-cruiser which was sunk when protecting a convoy of 38 ships in mid-Atlantic last November against attack by a German raider.

Her commander, Captain Fegg, who went down with the ship, was posthumously awarded the Victoria Cross.

Suspended Sentences On U.S. Gobs

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 24 (Reuters).—Suspended sentences of 90 days were given by the Municipal Judge here on the two seamen of the United States Navy who were charged with ripping down the Swastika flag from the German Consulate.

They will be handed over to the naval authorities who promised that they would be "adequately dealt with."

The State Department has already expressed regret to Germany for the incident.

SOUTH AFRICAN AIRMEN SCORE

CAPRONI BOMBERS DESTROYED

NAIROBI, Jan. 24 (Reuters).—Three Italian Caproni bombers were destroyed by the South African Air Force in a mid-day raid on Vavulow aerodrome in Abyssinia.

Following a reconnaissance during which bombs straddled the main targets, two waves of aircraft went over.

The first showered high explosives and incendiaries on the aerodrome directly hitting one Caproni which burst into flames.

The second wave found a fire raging round two aircraft and scored a direct hit on the third which also burst into flames.

BARRACKS HIT
One pilot dropped a salvo directly on the hangar while another pilot hit the hutments and the barracks.

The raid was made by the same squadron which recently destroyed two Italian aircraft and crippled four more at the same aerodrome.

This squadron alone has already carried out 83 operations against the Italian.

SICILY AERODROMES BOMBED BY R.A.F.

CAIRO, Jan. 24 (Reuters).—Aerodromes in Sicily were heavily attacked by R.A.F. bombers during the night of Jan. 22-23.

A Middle East communique from R.A.F. Headquarters says that at Comiso a quantity of incendiary and explosive bombs were dropped, causing explosions which continued for 20 minutes.

LINDBERGH SAYS TRANS-OCEAN INVASION OF U.S. IMPOSSIBLE

WASHINGTON, Jan. 24 (Reuters).—The landing of troops in an attempted trans-ocean invasion of the United States was "absolutely" impossible, declared Col. Charles Lindbergh testifying yesterday on the Lease and Lend Bill before the House of Representatives Foreign Affairs Committee.

He agreed, however, that trans-Atlantic bombing raids could do "considerable damage."

Col. Lindbergh said that he did not believe that there was any danger of the United States being invaded by sea or air as long as she maintained an army, navy and air force of reasonable size in modern condition and provided she established bases essential for defence.

Besides bases in Newfoundland, the West Indies, Hawaii and Alaska, Col. Lindbergh recommended the establishment of others in Canada and parts of South and Central America and the Galapagos Islands while secondary bases might be established in Greenland.

He said that the United States would be wise to construct as rapidly as possible a total air force of 10,000 thoroughly modern fighting planes plus reserves though the desirable size of the air force largely depended on conditions elsewhere in the world.

Opponents of the Lease and Lend Bill had asked Col. Lindbergh to testify but he did not mention the Bill in his opening statement.

Col. Lindbergh expressed the view that even the combination of the United States and Britain could not win the war "on the present basis."

He did not believe that any States would win the war, unless States would win the war unless there was a collapse behind the lines.

He believed that the American peoples' stand in favour of aiding Britain was a "mistake."

NETHERLANDS EAST INDIES

MATSUOKA SPEECH PUZZLES

BATAVIA, Jan. 24 (Reuters).—The firm stand of the Netherlands East Indies against any interference with their sovereignty was reaffirmed today by Van Mook, Director of Economic Affairs.

Commenting in an interview with Reuter on Mr. Yosuke Matsuoka's speech in the Japanese Diet, Jonkheer Van Mook said that he failed to understand what Mr. Matsuoka meant by a "situation which has hitherto thwarted the relations of good neighbourliness" with the Japanese.

"Our relation with Japan has been promoted in the same manner and zeal as those with other countries," Jonkheer Van Mook declared.

ECONOMIC FACTOR

Discussing Mr. Matsuoka's statement that "if only for geographical reasons," the Netherlands East Indies should be in intimate and inseparable relationship with Japan, he said that the economic structure of the N.E.I. made it necessary to promote trade relations with both Allied and neutral countries alike on the largest possible scale, adding that despite the war 90 per cent. of the East Indies' export income was derived from other than East Asiatic countries. That proved, he said, that mere geographical situation was not the deciding economic factor.

Americans Favour Aid To Britain

NEW YORK, Jan. 24 (Reuters).—An increase in American sentiment favouring aid for Britain is shown in the latest Gallup poll which follows President Roosevelt's recent "fireside chat" and message to Congress.

The question asked was: "Which of these two things do you think more important for the United States to try to do—keep out of war ourselves or help Britain win even at the risk of getting into the war?"

The replies showed that 68 per cent. favoured helping even at the risk of entering the war while 32 per cent. favoured staying out.

ANNOUNCEMENT

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ANNUAL PRIZE GIVING OF QUEEN'S COLLEGE

A large gathering of parents and pupils were present when Queen's College held their annual Prize Giving in the school hall yesterday morning. MR. G. P. DE MARTIN, M.B.E., M.A., gave away the scholarships and prizes.

Among those present were Mr. F. J. de Rome, M.B.E., Mrs. de Martin, Dr. and Mrs. J. F. Fehily, Mr. and Mrs. G. White, Mr. S. M. Churn, Dr. J. M. Gray, Mr. G. A. Goodban, Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Wallington, Mr. W. J. Dyer, Mr. L. G. Morgan, Rev. Father R. Gallagher, Rev. G. E. S. Updell, Mr. Chow Ping-un and many others.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

In presenting his report, the Principal, Mr. M. G. O'Connor, said:—The School reopened on Sept. 18 instead of on the 11th owing to demands made on members of the staff by the war. Further demands were made later from time to time but from the figures I shall submit presently, I hope that you will feel that things did not go too badly.

The maximum enrolment was 620 and our average of attendance for the year was 96.62 per cent as against 97.46 per cent for the previous year. This drop is partly due to the evacuation to Macao of some of the boys in July. Comparatively few boys were absent because of ill-health and no doubt, mass vaccination against small-pox and injections against cholera have contributed towards this state of affairs.

I regret to say that there was a certain amount of sickness among members of the staff. There was one memorable day when Queen's College could only boast of one European master on the premises. A new departure in connexion with 'health' was introduced in March, namely, dental inspection for each boy. Boys now go to Queen Mary Hospital for advice and treatment.

EXAMINATIONS

Now I come to the subject of examinations, and what I have told you of our difficulties does not seem, surprisingly, to have had much effect on the results of the Matriculation. Of the 21 boys who entered, 12 passed with a total of 11 distinctions two in English, three in Chemistry, and three in Mathematics. We did not achieve the same measure of success in the Class 2 School Certificate Examination, where 88 boys sat and 45 passed, four obtaining honours. The explanation may be that boys in Class 1 are better fitted to depend less on actual teaching than Class 2 boys. This is perhaps as it should be at this stage of their education. In the remaining classes, 464 candidates were examined and 341 passed. (Taking the results over the whole school, we had approximately 74 per cent. successes. Nine scholarships were gained in Class 2, sixteen in Class 4, and seven in Class 5 on the results of external examinations.)

We had two distinctions in inter-school sport the Junior Volley Ball team winning the Championships in their divisions. Inter-class games in Basketball, Volley Ball, and Football were all indulged in with enthusiasm. All these games, with physical training, swimming, and organised games, should be an inspiration to boys to value physical fitness.

"CAREERS MASTERS"

The Q.C.O.B.A. is so much part of the school that after thanking its members for their many kindnesses, there is something else I should like to mention. "Appointments Committees" and "Careers Masters" are fairly well established at home now and have been for some time. Some of the members of the Q.C.O.B.A. are hoping that with an appointments sub-committee of the O.B.A. and a Careers Master, we might see even greater things than has been possible up to the present.

I now tender the thanks of the School to Mr. de Martin for coming here today to present the scholarships and prizes. Mr. de Martin knows Queen's College from the points of view of master and Director of Education, having filled both offices with distinction, and we appreciate the interest which he has always shown in the school to which he came 37 years ago.

I think I must add our thanks to our visitors and to Mr. de Rome,

CLIPPER SCHEDULE

Pan American Airways PHILIPPINE CLIPPER, bringing U.S. mails dated San Francisco, Jan. 22, is due to arrive in Hongkong on Friday next, Jan. 31, and will leave the next morning.

The CALIFORNIA CLIPPER is scheduled to arrive in Hongkong on Tuesday, Feb. 4, and will leave the following morning.

ROUND THE POLICE COURTS

AT CENTRAL

COLLISION SEQUEL

A collision between a public car and a China Motor bus at the junction of Hennessy Road and Fenwick Street on Jan. 10 had a sequel yesterday, when Wong Yuen-choi, driver of public car No. 795, appeared before Mr. Sheldon on a summons of driving without due caution at a road crossing.

Mr. D. B. Evans appeared for defendant, while Mr. Peter H. Sin held a watching brief on behalf of the China Motor Bus Company. Traffic Sgt. G. F. Youe prosecuted.

Mr. Evans pleaded guilty on behalf of defendant who was cautioned.

BURGLAR GAOLED

Li Kwong, 27, unemployed, charged with housebreaking with intent to commit a felony at No. 115, Des Voeux Road West, first floor, at 3.50 a.m. on Jan. 18, appeared before Mr. H. G. Sheldon yesterday when he was sentenced to four months' hard labour, after which he would be sent to Macao. Det.-Sgt. Macvey prosecuted.

WOMAN VICTIMISED

Convicted of stealing from the person of Ho Yee, 38, married woman, one lady's woollen coat in a scavenging lane near Lockhart Road on Jan. 23, Li Sing-ching, 19, unemployed, was sentenced by Mr. Sheldon to six weeks' hard labour, to be followed by expulsion, yesterday.

Defendant had three previous convictions. Det.-Sgt. J. R. Bentley prosecuted.

GAS CARTRIDGES

On the application of Det.-Sgt. J. R. Sykes, Li King-yuen, 23, clerk, was remanded for 24 hours, when he appeared before Mr. G. T. Lowry yesterday on a charge of unlawfully having in his possession or under control 19 rounds of gas cartridges.

FALSE INFORMATION

Kong Wei, driver of a taxi, was summoned before Mr. Sheldon yesterday for giving to the Police on Jan. 1, certain information, which was found to be false, misleading and with intent to defeat the ends of justice, and falling to, have the hand brake of his car in good work condition.

Sub Insp. F. J. Clark stated that at 3 a.m. on Jan. 1, defendant took on a European passenger from the Hongkong Hotel, and was driving him to the Takoo Docks. On the way, in King's Road, he knocked down a man. He picked him up, and after dropping the passenger, he took the man to the hospital, where he later died.

Traffic Sgt. T. McInnes remarked that "the hand brake" had nothing to do with the accident. As the foot brake was in good order.

Defendant was fined \$25, or 14 days' imprisonment, on the first summons, and \$5 on the second.

CAUTIONED

Summons for leaving his motor car unattended in Pottinger Street on Jan. 13, D. M. A. Razack, of No. 2, Fort Street, was cautioned by Mr. Sheldon yesterday.

BROKER ON SERIOUS CHARGE

A 32-year-old man, Chan Shu-yip, alias Chan Shu-yin, alias Shu Yin, described as a broker, was charged before Mr. Lowry yesterday with having carnal knowledge of a 12-year-old Chinese girl at the St. Francis Hotel, on Dec. 30 last.

Mr. A. E. K. Lau appeared for the defendant and pleaded not guilty.

Det. Sub-Insp. J. O'Donovan prosecuted and said that on Dec. 30 last, defendant met the girl by appointment outside a cinema and on promise of buying her new clothes took her to the St. Francis Hotel.

They went into a room with twin beds, and it was alleged that defendant attempted to interfere with her.

The girl struggled and broke away. She left the Hotel and returned to her home in Graham Street. Noticing certain stains on her clothing her mother questioned her about them. She became suspicious and went to the Hotel where she found defendant. The Police were subsequently called.

Both the girl and defendant were sent to Queen Mary Hospital for examination.

Evidence of his analysts of certain clothing submitted for his examination, was given by Dr. R. E.

POSSESSION OF PREMISES

Hearing Adjourned To March

A claim for possession against the occupant of No. 134 Leichikok Road, first floor, was brought before the Police Judge, Mr. Justice E. H. Williams, at the Summary Court yesterday.

The plaintiff, Wong Mak-yung, through her attorney Wong Man, trading as the Chan Hing Land Investment Company, No. 12 Tai Wan Street, ground floor, claimed possession of the above premises, damages for trespass and mesne profit.

Mr. C. A. Sutherland Russ was for the plaintiff while defendant was represented by Mr. F. Zimmerman.

Mr. Russ said that plaintiff let the premises in 1937 to a man named Leung Sum at a monthly rental of \$25. This had been increased from time to time and now the monthly rent was \$40.

RENT IN ARREARS

Leung was behind in his rents and, on Dec. 7, 1940, wrote a letter to plaintiff that he had removed from the premises, asking plaintiff to accept back the premises. On this letter plaintiff let the premises to a Mr. Lai at \$50 a month who was to move in Dec.

They could not get possession of the premises as there was a woman, defendant, there. They wrote to defendant asking her to vacate the premises within three days and, in reply received a letter from Messrs. Hastings stating that they had been instructed that the premises would be retained by their client. Mr. Russ said that the defence was the defendant was the wife of Leung who had rented the premises.

After evidence by Wong Man and Leung Sum further hearing was adjourned to March 4 at 10 a.m.

Alvares, Assistant Government Bacteriologist.

Dr. Dean Smith, of Queen Mary Hospital, testified that, in his opinion, the girl had been interfered with.

After further evidence, hearing was adjourned to Feb. 5 at 2.30 p.m.

AT KOWLOON

FALSE PRETENCES

Bail of \$200 was granted to Leung Sau-chun, 17, spinster, and Mok Yau, 36, shoe-maker, by Mr. E. Himsforth yesterday when defendants were charged with obtaining money by false pretences and attempting to obtain money by similar means.

It was alleged that defendants pawned a gold plated ring for a genuine gold ring at the Pok Cheong pawn shop and obtained \$23 on Jan. 14.

On Jan. 22 they were alleged to have tried the same trick again but were arrested.

Hearing was fixed for Jan. 31 at 11.30 a.m.

GAOL AND CANING

Sentence of 10 months' hard labour and ten strokes of the cane was imposed by Mr. Himsforth yesterday on Hau Kam-yuk, 19, for larceny of a pair of earrings from Leung Tak-chan, 40, married woman, and for breach of deportation order.

It was stated that complainant was walking along Shanghai Street, near Arran Street, on Jan. 23 when defendant came from behind and snatched her earrings. A passer-by gave chase and arrested defendant.

GAMING HOUSE

Lam Sin, 28, appeared before Mr. Himsforth yesterday on the charge of keeping No. 32, Hai Phong Road as a common gaming house. Defendant was fined \$40.

Seven others, who were charged with gambling at the address, were each fined \$2. The sum of \$4.68 picked up was placed in the Poor Box.

CARNAL KNOWLEDGE

Private Frank Kenneth Jacobs, R. A. M. C. of Whitfield Barracks, who was charged with having carnal connexion with a girl, Man Mui-kwai, without her consent and with indecently assaulting her, appeared before Mr. K. M. A. Barnett yesterday for another remand of a week.

Provisional hearing was fixed for Feb. 3 at 2.30 p.m. Det.-Sgt. N. B. Fraser was in charge of the case.

INDIAN WATCHMAN CHARGED

For wounding Lam Yam, Yoki of a watch-maker's shop at No.

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THE WEATHER

Maximum temperature yesterday was 70 and the minimum 62. Total rainfall since Jan. 1 is 3.72 inches against an average of 0.59. The Royal Observatory report states:—

An intense anti-cyclone covers China and the neighbouring seas, pressure being highest to the west of Shanghai.

The northern depression has deepened, and is moving N.W. across Hokkaido. A shallow depression is stationary over Thai.

120, Shanghai Street, Feroz Shah, 40, watchman employed by the Oriental Tobacco Factory, Nathan Road, was charged before Mr. Barnett yesterday.

Mr. Alfred Y. Hon, appeared for defendant, while Det. Sgt. Johnston prosecuted.

It was stated that defendant went to the watch-maker's shop about 6.15 p.m. on Jan. 14 to have his watch repaired. He produced a guarantee for his watch which did not belong to the shop. The mistress of the shop tried to explain to him that he had come to the wrong shop.

An argument arose and defendant was alleged to have pushed the mistress. The fook Lam went to her assistance and it was alleged that defendant drew out a knife and stabbed him on right shoulder.

The spectators outside the shop, on seeing this, chased defendant along Shanghai Street and Reclamation Street where he was arrested by two Chinese constables.

Giving evidence, Dr. R. E. Alvares, Assistant Government Bacteriologist, said that there was a very small amount of blood present on the blade of the knife near the tip and it was insufficient for the test for human blood.

After evidence was given by Lam, the mistress of the shop and another fook, hearing was adjourned to this morning.

EUROPEAN CAUTIONED

W. Robinson, of No. 50, Nathan Road, was discharged with a caution by Mr. Himsforth yesterday when he was summoned for allowing his dog to wander at Hankow Road without a muzzle or lead.

Defendant said that the dog slipped out of the house without anybody noticing it and that he made a report to the Police immediately.

NOTICE CHANGE OF BUSINESS HOURS

WE beg to inform our patrons that as from January 31st, our business hours will be changed, as follows:—

Week days:

from 9 A.M. to 7 P.M.

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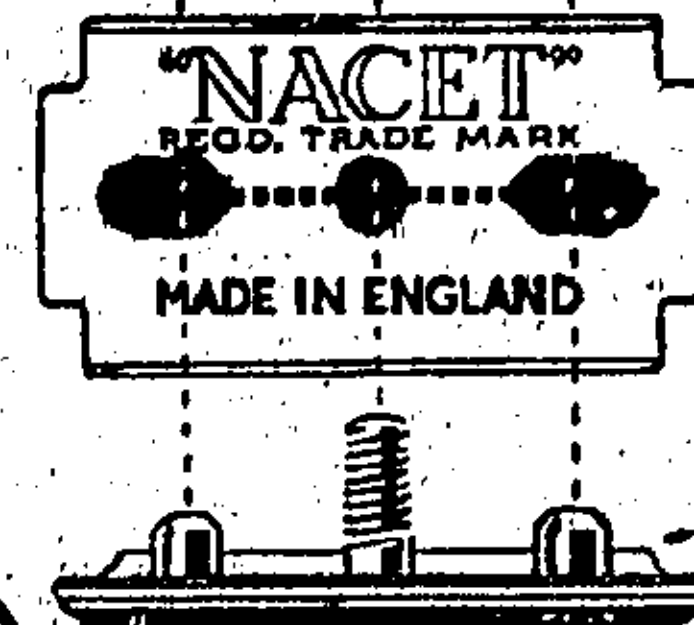
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In pursuance of Section 227 of the Companies Ordinance No. 39 of 1932, notice is hereby given that a meeting of creditors of the Company will be held in the Registered Office of the Company, St. George's Building, Hong Kong, on Friday, 31st January, 1941, at 12.15 o'clock p.m. for the purposes provided for in the said Section.

L. B. WARREN, Chairman.

Hong Kong, 22nd January, 1941.

BANK HOLIDAYS.

In Accordance with Government Ordinance, THE EXCHANGE BANKS will be CLOSED for the Transaction of PUBLIC BUSINESS on MONDAY & TUESDAY, the 27th & 28th January, 1941. (China New Year Holidays).

Hongkong, 22nd January, 1941.

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Effective 1st February, 1941 rates on all cargo carried by our vessels to Sandakan will be increased by 20%.

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HUMPHREYS ESTATE & FINANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ANNUAL ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of Shareholders will be HELD at the Hongkong Hotel, Hong Kong, on TUESDAY, the 11th February, 1941, at 11.30 A.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a statement of accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1940.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, 1st February to TUESDAY, 11th February, both days inclusive.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON, General Managers.

Hong Kong, 21st January, 1941.

POLICE REPORTS

Chiu Fung-sang, of No. 206, Queen's Road West, reports that while travelling between Central Market and West Point in a bus on Thursday, he had \$380 stolen from his pocket. His bank book was returned, by post, the same afternoon.

Leaving his stall in Tung Hing Street for a short while on Thursday, Cheung Hung, hawk, returned to find his entire stock of oranges, valued at \$191.35, stolen.

The Police have offered \$200 reward for the return of Police motor boat No. 18, which drifted away from Tai O, Lantau Island, on the night of Jan. 20.

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BALANCE SHEET OF THE WAR

THE DRAMATIC SWIFTESS with which events have moved in the Middle East has completely recast the balance sheet of political and economic values in the various theatres where military operations are being continued. The Axis Powers are being forced to accept a heavy debit position, while Britain and her allies continue to chalk up substantial credit figures, which will ultimately have a far-reaching effect on the course of this war to end war. Before this eventual realisation is possible, however, there is no doubt that commitments on both sides will steadily increase. On the one hand, the Axis Powers will have to make the most drastic efforts to reduce the deficit which is piling up against them and, in trying to accomplish this, they will not be able to prevent the conflagration of war from spreading to other parts of the globe. This appears to be the only solution to their present difficulties, unless, of course, they are prepared at this stage to cry "enough." The very brutality and ruthlessness with which they embarked on their present adventure to uproot the foundations of civilisation renders such a pious hope beyond contemplation at present; and the world will have to endure a great deal more anxiety and horror before the spectre of inhuman, destruction of rights and liberties and the abominable lust for unbridled domination is permanently removed.

ON THEIR SIDE, Britain and her allies have increased their credit values and are enlisting the whole-hearted backing of all nations and people who cherish a free way of life—a life which entitles them to retain their independence, to act and govern themselves as they think best, to make their progress according to the principles of law and justice and in co-operation with their neighbours and to preserve the structure of civilisation from toppling in ruins. The response which Great Britain, who undertook to champion the cause of democratic freedom and the high principles of national life that it represents, is the greatest factor on the credit side of the fight for right against might. Despite the toll of human life which this struggle has already taken—a toll which is likely to increase to very large proportions before might is vanquished—and the enormous sacrifices which are being made, and will still have to be made, those nations and people who have taken the decision to render material and moral support for Britain and her allies have done so because there is no doubt in their mind as to the full justice of the cause for which the war against totalitarianism is being waged.

THE EFFECT of this is now being made clear. In Africa, where terror and brutality had gained for the Italians a hold on much territory where peace and order, according to

SORDID STORY RELATED AT MAGISTRACY

Seduction Of Schoolgirl Alleged Against Teacher

A SORDID STORY OF A 32-YEAR-OLD TEACHER, FATHER OF FOUR CHILDREN, seducing a 15-year-old student of the Beilios Girls' School, Hollywood Road, was related before Mr. K. M. A. Barnett yesterday at the Kowloon Magistracy.

Accused was LI KWAI-SANG, residing at No. 576, Canton Road, while the girl was Liu Mo-ching, 15, of Fuk Wing Street.

Outlining the case Det.-Sgt. D. C. MacPherson said that accused was engaged as a private teacher to the girl about three years ago. After one year of teaching he was dismissed by the family owing to intimate relations between him and the girl. Later he was re-engaged to teach the younger members of the family.

On the morning of Jan. 22 the girl went to school as usual and left at noon. The girl went ahead of her sisters to the ferry wharf where she met defendant by pre-arrangement. The girl was taken to No. 24, Cheung Lok Street which defendant had rented and furnished only a few days ago.

Alarmed at the non-return of her daughter, the mother in the evening made a report to the Central Police Station. The same evening defendant went to teach as if nothing had happened.

The matter was handed over to the Shumshulpo Police Station and a detective was sent to make inquiries.

The following evening defendant was questioned by the detective. He denied any knowledge of the absence of the girl. Getting suspicious, the detective took him to the Police Station where he admitted that the girl was being kept by him.

NO DOUBT

It was alleged that about three weeks ago accused and the girl had made arrangements to elope to Shanghai. Medical examination showed that accused had not interfered with the girl.

Accused was remanded for five days for his wife to appear in Court.

Before remanding accused, Mr. Barnett remarked that he had not the slightest doubt about defendant's intention and that accused would be sent to prison.

REWARD OFFERED

A reward of \$200 is being offered for information leading to the recovery of the grey painted motor boat marked "Police 16" on each bow, which went adrift from Tai O, Lantau Island, a few days ago.

tribal customs had flourished for years, the scene has changed and the oppressors are facing a retribution which will bring them to account for every evil and overt act they committed against their victims. The dream of a second Roman Empire which was to stretch across the dark continent and towards the Orient is vanishing in the smoke of bombs and shells. In Albania, where yet another peaceful people were brutally brought under the yoke of tyranny, the same change is taking place and the liberty that was so viciously snatched from them is now within their grasp. In Rumania, where a vivid picture of life under the Nazi heel has been revealed in a very short space of time, unrest has broken out with the same purpose—to regain freedom from the German grasp. Other countries in the Balkans and in Western Europe which have been brought under this slavery are awakening from the stupor into which the blow at their free existence threw them and are realising the fallacy of the system which has been imposed on them. With their small neighbours, who have been living under the shadow of this menace, they are looking to Britain and her allies for help to regain their former status—Britain and her allies have already done much to this end and will not rest until they have restored the world to a state which will make it a fit place for people to live in.

Funerals

MR. JOSHUA BROOK

The funeral took place at the Roman Catholic Cemetery yesterday evening of Mr. Joshua Brook, who died at the Queen Mary Hospital on Thursday after a brief illness. The service at the graveside was conducted by Rev. Fr. C. Szpial.

Among those who attended were Mr. and Mrs. H. Rozario, Mrs. Marques, Mrs. C. M. Fisher, Mr. W. Hewitt, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Thirwell, Mrs. M. L. Gores, Messrs. W. G. Long, A. W. Gibson, G. W. Behrman, R. J. Hunt, J. Smith, G. H. Smith, W. Ward, F. Cullen, A. Barretto, T. K. Whelan, S. Sequeira, C. M. Sequeira, D. A. Alonso, C. H. Summers, F. Fisher, F. D. Leonard, D. Gifford, A. Salmon, W. J. Morris, H. Stainfield, J. R. Sulter, J. S. Whyte, Kid Merriott, Rev. Louis and Rev. Bro. Martin.

Many wreaths were sent.

MRS. ANNIE MAY

The remains of the late Mrs. Annie May, widow of the late Mr. George Thomas May, who died at the Matilda Hospital on Thursday at the age of 68 years, were interred at the Protestant Cemetery yesterday evening. The Rev. A. P. Rose officiated at the graveside.

The late Mrs. May is survived by two sons, John and George (in Japan), and two daughters, Mrs. W. A. Russell (in Australia), the late Mrs. G. Padgett. The chief mourners were John, Insp. W. A. Russell and Mr. G. Padgett (sons-in-law) and Mrs. A. Allison. The deceased has been a resident in the Colony since 1912.

Others present yesterday were Messrs. J. Lunny, R. J. Hunt, A. Estall, A. Gillard, E. Elliot, F. E. Russell, Thornhill and many others. Many wreaths were sent.

MR. LO CHEUNG-IP

The funeral of Mr. Lo Cheung-IP, who died at his residence, Morton Terrace, on Thursday at the age of 76, took place at Mount Davis Cemetery yesterday.

The late Mr. Lo is the father of the Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo and Mr. M. W. Lo. Many distinguished persons paid their last respects at the Wing Bit Ting. Among them were Hon. Sir Robert Kotewall, Sir Robert Ho Tung, Hon. Mr. Li Tse-fong, Mr. J. M. da Rocha, Mr. H. Gittins, Mr. J. C. Taylor, Major Ho Sai-lai, Mr. J. Litton, Mrs. A. G. Botelho, Dr. and Mrs. E. J. Law, Mr. Ho Kom-tong, Mr. Chan Kam-to, Mr. Tse Ka-po and many other prominent residents in the Colony.

There was a profusion of floral tributes.

DEATH OF MGR. JOHN CASADO

Vicar-Apostolic Of Thai-Binh

News has been received from Spain of the death of Mgr. John Casado, O.P., who died there while waiting for a boat to return to the East.

Mgr. Casado, who was the first Vicar-Apostolic of Thai-Binh had been in the East for thirty years. He was a Spaniard, a native of Old Castile, and having joined the Dominican Order came to Indochina before his ordination to the priesthood. After many years of experience in the missions he was consecrated bishop in 1936.

He visited Hongkong a few months later, on his way to the Eucharistic Congress of Manila, and had many friends in the Colony. He went to Rome on an official visit about a year ago and then went to Spain. He was expected back in Indo-China in the spring.

The following is the Return of notifiable diseases notified as having occurred in the Colony during the 24 hours ended at midnight, Jan. 23:—Diphtheria, three cases; Measles, five cases; Dysentery, one case; Tuberculosis, 23 cases.

CORRESPONDENCE

THE SOCIAL EVIL

To The Editor, H.K. Daily Press
Sir,—Your newspaper article on the shameful conditions which now prevail in Hongkong must have the general approval of the great majority of your readers.

It is probable that in no British Colony at the present time is vice so utterly out of hand as it is here.

In fairness to our local Government however, it must be pointed out that the "tolerated" houses (there have never been "licensed" houses in Hongkong) were closed in 1933 by order of the Secretary of State for the Colonies and in accordance with the declared policy to which the British Empire was committed by reason of membership of the League of Nations.

The present conditions largely obtain by reason of economic pressure external to this Colony, and while it is possible that Government has been unwilling or financially unable to embrace any comprehensive scheme for the control of prostitution and the treatment of venereal disease during the last few years, a great deal of help may now be expected in this matter consequent on the application of the new Immigration Laws.

The men (and not Servicemen only) who get into difficulties, are almost invariably those who suffer from deprivation of that normal companionship and contact with the opposite sex which is man's natural right.

Such victims of prevalent conditions deserve not condemnation, but sympathy and help.

Yours etc., C. J. B.

OPPOSITE VIEW

To The Editor, H.K. Daily Press
Sir,—It was with something approaching dismay that I read your article on the prostitution question in Hongkong, as it so obviously was taking the wrong point of view.

It may be recalled that the question of prostitution was exhaustively investigated a few years ago by the League of Nations, and the results proved that from every angle licensed houses were a distinct menace, not a protection.

(The great cause of prostitution is poverty and we are all to blame for that; but to shut these girls up in houses where most of them are kept close prisoners in order to save respectable members of society the sorry spectacle of seeing solicitation every day and almost any hour of the day in our streets, is not a solution of the problem.)

Advocates of licensed houses argue that the girls are subject to medical inspection. A little thought on this point, however, will show that there is no safety in this, but rather the reverse, in that inspection once a week or twice a week or even three times a week, which would be impossible, gives no guarantee of immunity.

On the other hand, the number of unfortunate girls engaged in this horrible traffic is not diminished by licences—they are simply shut away and hidden as one hides a festering sore. The girls are segregated, and deprived of their freedom—they become slaves in an Empire which is fighting for liberty, not for men only but for women as well. When I write "slaves," I mean slaves in the very worst meaning of the word.

The only remedy is education. Show young lads, boys of 15 or 16, what is the result of promiscuous intercourse and the terrible consequences to themselves and their own children. Take them if necessary, to some of the schools for the blind, where they will see one result of venereal disease. Let them see our mental wards and asylums.

Educate our boys, but do not penalise our girls.
Yours, etc., ANTI-SLAVERY.

RADIO REVIEW

The special centenary issue of the Hongkong Radio Review, on Sale today, should prove of considerable interest to local residents as, besides its usual features, it contains full reports of the broad casts given by H. E. Lt.-Gen. E. F. Norton and other leading members of the local community on the occasion of Hongkong's Centenary celebrations.

MARINERS WARNED

An area dangerous to navigation exists within a radius of 25 miles from Lat. 35 deg. 22' S. long. 135 deg. E. (Approx.) at the approaches to Spencer Gulf on the South Coast of Australia, according to a Harbour Office notice.

GAP IN THE ECONOMIC RESOURCES OF GERMANY BECOMES MORE EVIDENT

"The gap in Germany's resources is becoming more evident to the German public and they need to be reassured, but a glance at the industrial map of Europe will show the hopelessness of any attempt to replenish the continent from the sea," said MR. LEONARD INGRAMS, economic expert, when he broadcast from London yesterday on the great problems which confronts Herr Hitler from the economic point of view.

Mr. Ingrams said that although the question of what Herr Hitler would do next from the strategic point of view was frequently heard today, the economic factor governing the situation was just as important.

TIME-TABLE UPSET

"It is probable that Herr Hitler himself does not know what to do now," said Mr. Ingrams. "His time-table has been upset and he has to meet situations as they crop up and the more situations that crop up for him the better it will be for us. Any situations that can goad him on to indiscriminate activity will sow the seeds of further difficulties for him."

Mr. Ingrams said that any question of Britain coming to terms now with Germany on a fifty-fifty basis could not even be considered. The air attacks which have been planned on a vast scale are now being used by German propaganda to cover a rather theatrical invasion threat. There was something of the quality of desperation in the efforts which the Germans were making now to terrorise London.

"The British blockade," continued Mr. Ingrams, "was preventing vital supplies from reaching the enemy from overseas and for some months now his transport system has been seriously interfered with by our air attacks."

"All through last year, Herr Hitler treated the whole subject of blockade with the utmost concern and that proved that he had prepared his plans for a short war. He did not hesitate to close the whole coast of Europe to supplies from overseas."

OUTPUT AFFECTED

Mr. Ingrams held the view that the fact that the war would now go on through 1941 would seriously upset Germany's output, as Herr Hitler had expected to win in 1939. Herr Hitler had failed to anticipate the men and material he would need to hold down the peoples in the occupied territories, as he did not expect to be at war when these people work up to the realities of their position.

"Herr Hitler has discovered," said Mr. Ingrams, "that peace with politicians does not mean peace with the people. His supplies of food are getting very short and he has come to the end of his financial tether."

"There are, of course, further adventures which he could undertake, but they are all so unprofitable. For instance the extension of his front into Spain will mean an increase in the margin of stocks."

Mr. Ingrams mentioned that Herr Hitler could campaign in the Balkans as the existence of ample stocks in Rumania would solve one of his immediate problems, because even if these could not be shipped westwards, they could be used eastwards with Rumania as a base.

The Balkans had, in fact, been organised as the food supply columns of the German war machine. The Balkan campaign was, therefore, Hitler's only choice as he could not make any long term or medium term plan.

GAP IN RESOURCES

"The gap in Germany's resources is becoming more evident to the German public and they need to be reassured," declared Mr. Ingrams, "but a glance at the industrial map of Europe will show the hopelessness of any attempt to replenish the continent from the sea."

Mr. Ingrams next referred to the suggestion that Germany can get all she wanted from Russia. He declared that the idea of conveying goods across the mountainous roads of Europe was as preposterous as the cant of the new order.

"The amount of friction involved in getting supplies from Moscow to Paris can only be accomplished by turning human beings into slaves and the ocean waterways are out of bounds to ships that fly the Swastika."

"Assuming that the recent trade agreement with Russia is of no practical value to the enemy, except for propaganda purposes, Herr Hitler must break the British blockade or try to break it. (That must be, and certainly is, the task before all Germany's war effort today.)

"Germany may, therefore, be expected to attack the British fleet whenever, and wherever, she can. She may be expected to try and blockade Britain and to bomb British industries. She may try to break the British blockade by trying to invade this country with the use of her army, navy and air force together."

"Whatever Herr Hitler does next, we may be sure that thanks to our blockade of Europe, there will be less power behind his punch for every day the war drags on."

NEWSETTES

His Excellency the Acting Governor will be present at the Fanling Hunt Club's Point-to-Point Meeting at Dill's Corner at 3 p.m. tomorrow.

His Excellency the Acting Governor will be present at the screening of "The Chief of Baghdad" at the King's Theatre on Wednesday next, Jan. 29, at 9.30 p.m.

His Excellency the Acting Governor will proceed to Fanling Lodge on Feb. 1 for the week-end, during which His Excellency Major-General A. E. Grasett, G.O.C., Hongkong, and Capt. R.E.T. St. John will be his guests.

Lady Clark Kerr, wife of the British Ambassador to China, leaves Government House for the Peninsula Hotel today.

An interesting discourse on the subject: "The Physics of the Weather," was given by Mr. G.S.P. Heywood, professional assistant of the Royal Observatory, at a lecture sponsored by the H.K.U. Science Society at Room "K", University, last night to a large audience.

The late Mr. William Julius Allen, of No. 215 Wanchai Road, who died at the French Hospital on Nov. 27, 1940, left local estate sworn under \$22,000. A petition for the probate of the will has been granted to Luiz Carlos Rozario Sousa, bank clerk.

The "Attaboy" Shield, annually competed for by members of the Kowloon-Bowling Green Club, will be held on the Club greens on Monday and all members are asked to sign the list in the Club by 1 p.m. on the day of the match.

Mrs. Yeh Ting, wife of Gen. Yeh Ting, Commander of the disbanded Fourth Route Army, has arrived in the Colony.

Owing to the unfavourable weather the Christ Church, Kowloon, function in connexion with the opening of their tennis courts, has been cancelled.

The opening of the Christ Church tennis court, which was to have taken place this afternoon, has been postponed owing to the bad weather.

The Indian Association of Hongkong and South China is giving a lunch party today, at the Ritz Restaurant, North Point, at 1.15 p.m. in honour of the Australia Trade Commissioner, Mr. V. G. Bowden, the Canadian Trade Commissioner, Mr. P. V. McLane, and the Secretary of the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce, Mr. M. F. Key.

His Excellency the Acting Governor, who is spending the Chinese New Year Holidays at Fanling Lodge, returns to Government House on Wednesday next, Feb. 29. His Excellency Major-General A. E. Grasett, G.O.C., and Captain R.E.T. St. John, who arrive at Fanling Lodge today will be His Excellency's guests there until Wednesday, Jan. 29.

Treatment Of Overseas Chinese By Foreign Countries

A petition has been sent by the overseas Chinese delegates to the National People's Congress, which has been postponed, to the Executive Yuan and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, urging that actions be taken to effect an improvement of the treatment of overseas Chinese by foreign countries, declared Mr. Huang Siang-wang, delegate from Australia, in an interview with the CENTRAL NEWS.

This petition, Mr. Huang said, was originally in the form of a proposal to be brought forth for discussion at the National People's Congress. Since the Congress has been postponed, it was presented to both the Executive Yuan and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

During an interview between Mr. Lin Sen, Chairman of the National Government, and the delegates while at Chungking, Mr. Huang revealed, the Chief Executive expressed grave concern about the welfare of the overseas Chinese under foreign rule. He felt that something must be done to better their conditions and promised that steps would be taken toward this end.

EXTENDED TOUR

Mr. Huang arrived in Hongkong from Shui-kwan on Jan. 21 with Messrs. Huang Chi-sheng, Cheng Yeh-chiu and Sun Hai-shou, respectively delegates from Canada, Panama, and Chile, after an extended tour in the southwestern provinces. They first went to Chungking last November, where they visited Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek twice and also other leaders, including General Ho Ying-chin, Minister of War, Dr. Wang Chung-hui, Minister of Foreign Affairs, Mr. Chen Li-fu, Minister of Education, Mr. Chen Shu-jen, Chairman of the Overseas Affairs Commission, and General Feng Yu-hsiang, Vice-Chairman of the National Military Council.

The Generalissimo showed deep interest in the conditions of the overseas Chinese and expressed profuse appreciation of their unremitting support for the country's present cause.

After staying in Chungking for about a month, they proceeded to

Chengtu, where they had a week's visit during which they called on General Chang Chun, Chairman of the Szechwan Provincial Government, Mr. Huang Chi-lu and other officials.

Following their visit in Chengtu, they started out on a tour of the southwestern provinces, stopping at Kweilin, and Liuchow in Kwangsi, Leliang in Hunan and Shui-kwan in Kwangtung. They were accorded tremendous ovations everywhere they went and were feted by various local leaders and organizations.

RAPID PROGRESS

They were all deeply impressed by the rapid progress achieved in reconstruction, industry, and education in the places they visited. What struck them most, Mr. Huang disclosed, was the intensive army training in the various provinces.

General Li Hon-wan, Chairman of the Kwangtung Provincial Government, Mr. Huang said, is sparing no efforts in far-reaching improvements of the political administration and financial structure of the province.

A native of Sunwui, Kwangtung, Mr. Huang, now 63, has been in Melbourne, Australia, for over 40 years, dealing in the grocery business. This was his fourth visit to China, the last one being in 1927. When he returns to Australia, he said, he will report the actual conditions in China to the Chinese there and exert his utmost in encouraging them to make capital investments in their mother country and to co-operate with their home Government.

He is also planning to raise funds in Australia for the improvement of the irrigation system in his home district, Sze-yap, in order to increase the agricultural products there. In his opinion the irrigation systems throughout Free China should be improved if China is to increase her agricultural output and to attain self-sufficiency in food.

Mr. Huang estimated there are more than 20,000 Chinese in Australia and about 2,000 in Melbourne alone. Mostly Cantonese, they engage in various trades including the grocery, tea, silk, rice, herb medicine, and fruit business. So far, their life in Australia has been a happy and contented one. Extremely patriotic, they have donated over \$6,000,000 to China since the start of the current hostilities.

JAPANESE TAKE SERIOUS VIEW OF KESWICK SHOOTING AFFRAY

SHANGHAI, Jan. 24 (Reuter).—In view of the serious financial state of the Shanghai Municipal Council an emergency meeting of British and American Councillors, at which the British and American Consuls-General were present, decided to convene another special Ratepayers' Meeting as early as possible if the Japanese guarantee complete peace and order.

The Japanese authorities have issued a statement taking a serious view of yesterday's affair and are preferring charges against Mr. Hayashi.

ASSURANCE GIVEN

The statement admits that Hayashi fired the shots but claims that the act was unpremeditated and assures that precautions would be taken to prevent any recurrence.

Best wishes for a speedy recovery are extended to Mr. Keswick, Mr. Okamoto and the other victims.

The standing committee of the Japanese Ratepayers' Association has decided to hold an extraordinary meeting today to discuss the unexpected developments.

Meanwhile, Mrs. Keswick has won the hearts of Japanese officials and residents by visiting Mr. Okamoto in the Japanese Hospital in Hongkong.

PASSED GOOD NIGHT

Mr. W. J. Keswick, Chairman of the Shanghai Municipal Council, who was wounded in yesterday's sensational shooting affray, passed a good night.

Dr. Parsons told Reuter: "The patient's condition is very satisfactory."



The Lord Chancellor, Lord Simon, said in London yesterday: "When we see what is happening across the Channel there is not one of us here who would not readily sacrifice everything we have rather than allow such a state of affairs to overtake this home of freedom." —(Special).

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SHOOTING OF MR. KESWICK

Act Of Japanese. Condemned

SHANGHAI, Jan. 24 (Reuter).—While expressing the view that the shooting of Mr. W. J. Keswick, head of Jardine's and Chairman of the S.M.C., at the ratepayers' meeting, by Mr. Hayashi was perpetrated on the latter's responsibility, all papers here condemn Mr. Hayashi's act.

The American-owned CHINA PRESS declared: "It was all the more regrettable the Chairman should have been the target of the attack and the attacker should have been the chairman of the Japanese Ratepayers' Association."

POLICE PRAISED

All papers praised the cool-headed work of the police, especially the courage displayed by the Commissioner of Police who, practically single-headed, held back the surging crowd.

The actions of Mr. Okamoto and other Japanese officials, who attempted to calm the shouting and pushing mob, are also highly praised.

Figure This One Out

WHO WRECKED THE HOME?

Antonio Fosas, a former jockey known to race track fans in the Philippines as Joe Rivers, residing at 2160 M. Hizon, Manila, thought he was seeing things when he returned home early on the night of Jan. 15 and found his place "as good as bombed," reports the Manila Bulletin.

COMPLETE WRECK

The house was completely wrecked except that the roof was left intact. But, worse than that, everything that used to be sheltered there, furniture, clothes, his five race horses, one police dog, one Dutch hound, one goat and even his wife were gone. Only thing left in the house was the telephone.

"It couldn't have been a tornado," Fosas thought as soon as he recovered from the shock. "And neither could a bomb do any worse."

A policeman asked him what he thought could have reduced his house to a shambles. Fosas didn't know for sure. But, he said, that the night of Jan. 15 was the first time he had been home in 15 days—since he had quarrelled with his wife.

"My wife is not in the wreckage, so figure that one out for yourself," he said.

JAPAN DESIRES FRIENDSHIP WITH AUSTRALIA

The Japanese Vice-Consul in Sydney declared yesterday that Japan desired real friendship with Australia, according to a message from Australia.

Although Japan had joined Germany and Italy in the Axis Pact, she wanted to be friendly with both sides. Japan however, would only enter the present war in special circumstances, and not merely if America was drawn into it. It was America's attitude that had forced Japan to join the Axis. —(Special)

HOLLAND UNDER NAZI RULE

News of Holland under the Nazi rule reveals suicides and much nervousness among German soldiers there who are apprehensive about being forced to take part in the invasion of England, states a London message.

The R. A. F. are still most popular, and the people go to the dykes in the evenings to watch for them. British broadcasts are also liked, as it is not prudent for the people to talk of them aloud, they just speak about "Aunt Angelina." —(Special)

ONE WEDDING AT REGISTRY

The marriage took place at the Registry, Supreme Court, yesterday of Mr. Suck Ying, pensioner of the U.S. Navy, residing at No. 3 Kilung Street, first floor, and Miss Lo Min, of the same address. Mr. J. Reynolds, Deputy Registrar of Marriages, officiated at the ceremony.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The following forthcoming marriages were announced at the Registry yesterday:—Mr. Mak Wing-fung, printer, of 179 Third Street, first floor, and Miss Chan Wal-hing, of 64 High Street, third floor.

Mr. Choi Chan-hung, civil servant, Chinese Government, residing at No. 60 Portland Street, and Miss Mak Sui-hing, of 414 Castle Peak Road.

SOVIET PLEASD WITH LIFTING OF U.S. EXPORT BAN

MOSCOW, Jan. 24 (Reuter).—The lifting of the United States "moral embargo" on the export of aeroplanes to Russia has been announced on the Soviet radio but not yet in the press as no newspapers were published here yesterday.

Official circles are reticent on the subject but opinion here is that the lifting of this ban, coupled with the establishment of an American Consulate-General at Vladivostok, suggests an improvement in Soviet-American relations.

INDO-CHINA NAVY CONGRATULATED

The Resident-General in Tunis, General Catroux, who was formerly Governor-General of Indo-China, has asked Admiral Decoux, the present Governor-General, to transmit to the French ships which took part in the recent engagement against the Siamese, his congratulations on their splendid achievements, states a Saigon message.

"They have shown that they understood their duty as Frenchmen," said General Catroux. The same message stated that General Weygand had inaugurated an economic conference in Algiers. —(Special)

ADVOCATE OF AID TO BRITAIN

Mr. G. G. Acheson, former Under-Secretary of the United States Treasury, and an advocate of giving all possible aid to Britain, has been appointed Assistant Secretary of State.

Mr. Acheson, states a London message, is one of four leading American lawyers who published an opinion that the leasing of bases and transfer of destroyers would be legal.

The purchase by Britain of 12 more ships, totalling 107,000 tons and valued at \$700,000 is also announced by the U.S. Maritime Commission. —(Special)

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WE TAKE PLEASURE TO ANNOUNCE THAT, AS FROM JANUARY 31st., 1941, UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE, OUR BUSINESS HOURS WILL BE AS FOLLOWS:—

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WEEK DAYS From 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.

The WING ON Club

Rumanian Dictator Forms New Party

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ment, the rebels fired on the Prime Minister's office and other state institutions." Gen. Antonescu added that the rebels, mostly irresponsible young people, were giving themselves up and that the authorities were everywhere in control of the situation.

He appealed to the nation to rally round the authorities, army and the King.

EMPHATIC DENIAL

An emphatic denial of reports that sections of the Army have gone over to the rebels is contained in a communique issued by the Rumanian General Staff today.

The Army is doing its duty everywhere, says the communique. In an order of the day to the Army, Gen. Antonescu says a batch of rogues and ruffians tried to seize power but, thanks to the Army's intervention, order was restored in less than 24 hours.

The country was grateful to the Army. All meetings are forbidden on pain of severe punishment.

SWIFT ACTION

LONDON, Jan. 24 (Reuter).—Germany is expected to take swift and drastic action in Rumania unless the Rumanian Government succeeds immediately in restoring order, says the Washington correspondent of the Associated Press quoting dispatches to diplomatic quarters.

The German authorities are said to have hinted two possible methods in quelling the disorders existed.

The first first is the establishment of a "protectorate" of the entire country which would be tantamount

to the occupation of Rumania by the German Army and, the second, the establishment of a Rumanian military dictatorship under the aegis of the German military authorities.

EXTREMISTS SHOT

LONDON, Jan. 24 (Reuter).—A report that two Iron Guard extremist commanders found hiding at Ploesti, in the Rumanian oil district, were immediately shot, is contained in a Bucharest message to the Independent French News Agency.

The names of the men were given as Salaght and Dimitrescu Zapada.

A third commander, Clorogaru, was also stated to have been discovered at Ploesti, but his fate is unknown.

KILLINGER ARRIVES

BERLIN, Jan. 24 (Reuter).—General von Killinger, the new German Minister to Rumania arrived in Bucharest on Friday morning, stated the official News Agency.

DIVE-BOMBERS QUIET

Since Sunday, when they lost 17 aircraft, German dive-bombers have been noticeably quiet and there have been no daylight raids on Malta.

There was a raid on Wednesday night when a few bombs were dropped. No damage was done and there were no casualties. —(Special)

Backbone Of Two-Ocean Fleet

TOKYO, Jan. 24 (Reuter).—The United States is contemplating the construction of seven mammoth dreadnaughts, displacing either 52,000 or 60,000 tons and mounting 18-inch guns, under plans drawn under the direction of Admiral Harold Stark, Chief of Naval Operations in the United States, the NICHU NICHU SHIMBUN reported.

The armada of seven of the world's largest battleships will form the backbone of the two-ocean fleet, the construction of which has already been authorised by Congress.

MORE GREEK SUCCESSES

More Greek successes are reported in Albania, according to a London message, which states that a further 200 Italian prisoners, including eight officers, have been taken.

The Italians are retiring in the northern sector with heavy losses. The R.A.F. continued their support of the Greeks in the central sector. —(Special)

TELEGRAPH RATES INCREASED

CHUNGKING, Jan. 24 (Reuter).—There will be a general increase in telegraph rates, both domestic and foreign, beginning on Feb. 1, announced the Chinese telegraph administration. All classes of domestic telegrams will be nearly doubled, the new rates per word in telegrams sent within the province being, sent in Chinese 20, in Chinese coded 40 and in foreign language 40.

U.S. AIR TRAGEDY

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 24 (Reuter).—Two persons were killed and 12 injured when a commercial air-liner crashed near the airport here this morning.

Wavell's Army Advancing

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march, towards honour or shame. The victorious entry of Free French forces into Tobruk counted a thousand times more than any words from Vichy. —(Special)

HAILE SELASSIE RE-ENTERED ABYSSINIA

LONDON, Jan. 24 (Reuter).—Emperor Haile Selassie has re-entered Abyssinia on Jan. 15, it can now be revealed, writes Reuter's Special correspondent on the Sudan-Abyssinian frontier.

An R.A.F. plane in which he travelled from Khartoum landed at the aerodrome, which was cleared with aid of land mines and axes from an almost impenetrable bush by his patriot army and Ethiopian refugees.

He was greeted by his two sons, the Crown Prince and Duke Harrar and a representative of the G.O.C. British forces in Sudan. After being blessed by a priest on crossing the frontier, the Emperor himself hoisted the Ethiopian Royal Standard.

OCCUPATION SEEN

LONDON, Jan. 24 (Reuter).—The occupation of the whole of Cyrenaica is foreseen by yesterday morning's result of the capture of Tobruk.

THE TIMES says that General Wavell's reports are almost as laconic as those of Julius Caesar, but his achievements are beginning to promise results almost as spectacular.

THE MANCHESTER GUARDIAN says: "We are moving quickly in Libya, but we cannot move too quickly as so much has to be done. The sooner we can dispose of the Italians in Cyrenaica, or all in Libya, if that is our intention, the sooner shall we free the hands of all our forces there for other tasks."

NEW YORK, Jan. 24 (Reuter).—Whole-hearted compliment was given to Australian troops by the newspaper, the NEW YORK SUN, in an article on the development in the Libyan campaign today. The article says: "If the supply of Australians holds out, it looks as if the army of the Nile may soon be driving Graziani's Italian Army clear across Africa to the Atlantic Ocean."

PRISONERS FOR INDIA

A report from New Delhi, quoted in a London message, states that India will accommodate 38,000 Italian prisoners. —(Special)

NEXT BLOW

A message from Australia stated that it is believed that the next blow will be struck quickly, giving the Italians no rest.

Australian enthusiasm was very great. Everyone agreed that it had been a great show, but a note of caution was also being sounded. The Acting Prime Minister, Mr. A. W. Fadden, stated yesterday that the success in Libya was brilliant, but it would not win the war. The campaign was still not at an end.

The successes in Libya was like killing a criminal's dog, leaving the criminal at large and until the criminal was killed, peace was not possible.

TRIBUTE TO AUSTRALIANS

The New York Sun paid a glowing tribute to the Australian troops and said that if they continued as they were doing they would soon drive Marshal Graziani's army clear across Africa.

To them went the chief credit for the taking of Tobruk, just as they had figured principally in the capture of Bardia and Sidi Barrani. —(Special)

CATHOLIC NEWS & NOTES

SAINTS OF THE WEEK: INDO-CHINA MARTYRS:

Several saints who are eminent in the history of the Church are commemorated during the coming week. Tomorrow we have St. Polycarp, Bishop of Smyrna, who was consecrated by St. John the Apostle and Evangelist towards the end of the first century. He lived to a great age and was one of the chief links with the Apostles to the middle of the second century. The account of his martyrdom is the oldest of such records in Church history.

St. John Chrysostom, on Monday, is one of the great Greek Doctors of the Church. As Bishop he came severely into conflict with the Byzantine Court and was fearless in his denunciation of abuses. The name Chrysostom, which means golden-mouthed, was given to him for his eloquence.

On Tuesday is St. Peter, Notasco. He took a large part in founding an Order for the redemption of captives, and is said to have been responsible for liberating more than two thousand captives during his lifetime. St. Francis de Sales, on Wednesday, was famous alike for his learning, for his gentleness and for his pioneer work in the use of the printing press as a means of conversion. It was because of this last-named quality that he is now honoured as "Patron of Catholic writers."

The feast of St. John Bosco occurs on Friday. He was the founder of the Salesian Congregation and one of the greatest benefactors of the young known to history.

St. Ignatius of Antioch is commemorated on Saturday. He was Bishop of Antioch in the second century. He met St. Polycarp when he was being brought to Rome for martyrdom.

INDO-CHINA MARTYRS

Indo-China, which now figures so prominently in the news, has a remarkable position in the annals of the Catholic Church, for though it is only a little over 300 years since the first seed of Christianity was sown there by a French Jesuit, it has passed through a period of persecution such as no country in the East has endured.

Conversions were rapid when once the Catholic Faith was introduced. In twelve years it had 100,000 Catholics, and in twenty-five years three times that number. Then a series of persecutions began which lasted for 200 years, culminating in 1820 under the Emperor Tu Due, who was called the "Annamite Nero."

One might have had doubts about the constancy of a people who had been so recently converted, but a country that had

been Christian for centuries could not have withstood the attack with greater constancy.

CONVERSION BY TYPEWRITER

When a young lady, Miss Cushman, was received into the Catholic Church in London some months ago it was probably the first instance of "conversion by typewriter," for she was led to conversion by typing out a novel by a Catholic writer.

The novelist was Mrs. Matthew Arnold, whose husband, a convert, is of the family of Dr. Arnold of Rugby and Matthew Arnold, the poet. She is the author of numerous novels and Miss Cushman is her secretary.

As her typing of the novel progressed, Miss Cushman became more and more curious about Catholic devotions. Finally she attended a Midnight Mass, the first step in a series of efforts to "know the Church." Now she has become a Catholic, and Mrs. Arnold was sponsor at her confirmation.

"This is one of the greatest rewards any writer could wish for," said Mrs. Arnold.

CATHOLICS WIN GEORGE MEDAL

Two Catholic members of the Cardiff Fire Brigade have been awarded the George Medal for bravery in fire-fighting in West Wales. They are Sergt. Daniel James Collins and Sub Officer William Maurice Brown. Two others have been "highly commended."

Sergt. Collins, a parishioner of Cardiff Cathedral, has been decorated with the Royal Humane Society Bronze Medal for life saving, the Cardiff Corporation Conspicuous Bravery Medal, the Silver, and the Bronze Medals of the Society for the Protection of Life from Fire, and the Coronation Medal of King George VI.

ST. TERESA'S CHURCH

Prince Edward Rd.
Tel. 56217

Jan. 25, Saturday: at 5 p.m. Meeting of the Third Order of St. Francis.

Jan. 26, 3rd Sunday after Epiphany: 6.30 a.m. Holy Mass with Sermon in Chinese, 8 a.m. Choral Mass, Sermon in English and Benediction, 10 a.m. Holy Mass with Sermon in English.

Jan. 27, Chinese New Year: at 7.15 a.m. the Closing of the Chinese Retreat with Mass, Sermon and Benediction.

On week days: Holy Mass at 6.30 and 7.15 a.m. Jan. 31, Friday: at 8 p.m. Service of Intercession with the way of the Cross.

THE CHRISTIAN AND MISSIONARY ALLIANCE

(HongKong Branch)
Chapel, 25, Cumberland Road,
Kowloon Tong

The Rev. John Bechtel, Pastor, Sunday services: In English: 10 a.m. Worship. Speaker: The Rev. John Bechtel. Subject: "What Do We Believe?" 2. We Believe that God is a Spirit; that He possesses attributes and characteristics that no other Being has; that He is Sovereign, and that He is the Father of Mankind." Text: Genesis 1:1—"In the Beginning God." (Second in a series of messages on the Fundamentals of the Christian Faith by the Pastor.) 6.30 Young People's Evangelistic Meeting. Speaker: The Rev. John Bechtel. Subject: "The Meaning of the Cross of Christ." In Cantonese, 11 a.m. Worship. Bethel Evangelistic Band, 3 p.m. Sunday School, 7.30 p.m. Bethel Evangelistic Band.

CHINESE NEW YEAR'S MEETINGS

Starting Sunday, Jan. 26, a week of Special New Year Meetings will be conducted at the Chapel by a group of workers from the Shanghai Bethel Bible Seminary. In addition to the usual Sunday services, evangelistic meetings will be held every evening at 7.30 p.m. The Special Services will end with the 7.30 meeting on Sunday evening, Feb. 2.

ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH

3rd Sunday after the Epiphany. First Mass and General Communion 8 a.m. Second Mass 10 a.m. followed by Benediction, Jan. 27: Chinese New Year. On week-days, Holy Mass 8 a.m. Abstinence is dispensed on Friday, and on Friday Feb. 7 Confessions are heard every day, before and after Mass. On Saturdays, the special time for Confessions is from 4.30 to 8 p.m.

FRATERNITY PRAYER ROOM

No. 77, Pokfulam Road, Saturday, 8.30 p.m.—Fourth talk by Dr. Lechmere Clift on "1941 and After" Subject, "The Four Beasts of Daniel's Vision, and the Four Seals seen by St. John" (Daniel 7 and Revelation 6: 1-8) Sunday, 9.45 a.m. Service of Holy Communion. This service closes at 10.30. 8.30 p.m. Evangelistic meeting. Visitors are welcome to all the services.

ST. ANDREW'S

(Church of England, Kowloon)
Australia Day

The following are the forthcoming services, etc., at St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon:— Sunday, January 26th Third Sunday after Epiphany, 10 a.m. Children's Service, 10 a.m. Sunday School 11 a.m. Special Australia Day Service. Preacher: Rev. H.A. Wittenbach. This service will be broadcast. A warm welcome is extended to all Australian residents, 6.15 p.m. Evensong and Sermon. Preacher: Rev. A.E. Charman of the B.C.M.S. Tuesday, Jan. 28th 6 p.m. Service of Intercession in connexion with the war. Leader: Dr. S.G. Kirkby-Gomes. Wednesday, Jan. 29th C.M.S. Annual Conference. An invitation is extended to all to attend the following sessions, 8 a.m. Holy Communion, 10 a.m. Reports and Intercessions, 5 p.m. Evensong. All other meetings as usual.

ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL

3rd Sunday after Epiphany. 8 a.m. Holy Communion 11 a.m. Matins and Sermon Preacher: Rev. A.P. Kust. 6.30 p.m. Evensong and Sermon Preacher, The Dean. The Social Hour will be held in the hall immediately after Evensong, and all will be welcomed. Holy Communion is celebrated:— Thursday 7.30 a.m. Friday 7.45 a.m. (in Cantonese).

Notice:—Badminton in the Cathedral Hall on Monday 8 p.m. Sick Intercessions on Thursday 10.15 a.m.

PEAK CHURCH
Church of England Services. 8 a.m. Holy Communion.

FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST

31 Macdonnell Road The subject of the Lesson Sermon in all Christian Science churches tomorrow will be "Truth." The Golden Text will be: "Thou art near, O Lord, and all thy commandments are truth. Concerning thy testimonies, I have known of old that thou hast founded them for ever." (Psalm 119: 151, 152).

Among others the following citations will be read from the Bible: "And why call ye me, Lord, and do not the things which I say?" (Luke 8: 48).

The following citations will also be read from the Christian Science Textbook, "Science Health with Key to the Scriptures," by Mary Baker Eddy: "The best sermon ever preached is Truth practised and demonstrated by the destruction of sin, sickness and death. Jesus instructed his disciples whereby to heal the sick through Mind instead of matter. He knew that the philosophy, Science and proof of Christianity were in Truth, casting out all inhumanity." (Science and Health, Pages 201, 271).

ANNOUNCEMENT

First Church of Christ, Scientist, Hongkong (a Branch of the Mother Church, The First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Boston, Mass.) No. 31 Macdonnell Road, Jose to Peak Tram Station. Sunday Service 11.15 a.m. Testimony Meeting, Wednesday 6 p.m. A Reading Room is maintained in the Church Building and is open on Monday Thursday and Saturday mornings from 10.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and on Tuesday and Friday evenings from 5.30 to 7 p.m. All authorised Christian literature is available at the Reading Room. The public is cordially invited to attend the services and to visit the Reading Room.

ENGLISH METHODIST CHURCH, HONGKONG

Queen's Road East. Opposite the Royal Naval Hospital. Preachers, Morning—Rev. J. E. Sandbach; Evening—Rev. E. Moreton. Morning Parade Service 10.15 a.m. Hymn 83, Prayer, Hymn 408; First Lesson, Hymn 611, Second Lesson, Prayer, Notices, Offertory, Hymn 895, Sermon, Hymn 490, Benediction, Evening Service 7 p.m. Hymn 11, Prayer, Hymn 470, Lesson, Prayer, Notices, Offertory, Hymn 477, Sermon, Hymn 754, Benediction.

NOTICES FOR WEEK

Following the evening service a social hour will be held at S & S Home 8.15 p.m. All Servicemen and civilians warmly welcomed. A meeting for prayer and fellowship will be held at S & S Home on Tuesday 8.30 p.m. Monday and Thursday 7 p.m. Badminton Club at S & S Home, Wednesday 5.30 p.m. General Committee at S & S Home.

CATHOLIC CATHEDRAL

The following are the forthcoming services at the Catholic Cathedral, Cause Road. 3rd Sunday after Epiphany Morning services: 1st Mass at 6 with sermon in Chinese, 2nd Mass at 8 Solemn High Mass, 3rd Mass at 10 with sermon in English. Evening services: at 3.30 Catechetical Instruction, at 4 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, recitation of the Holy Rosary Te Deum and Benediction, Jan. 28—Solemn High Mass at 7.30 a.m. with sermon and followed by Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament for the Chinese Congregation, Jan. 29—St. Francis of Sales, Bishop & Doctor of the Church, Patron of Catholic Writers. Jan. 31—St. John Bosco, Founder of the Salesian Society. On week days Mass at 6 and 7.30 Confessions morning and evening.

UNION CHURCH

(Kennedy Road) Morning Worship 10.30 a.m. Preacher: Rev. E. Moreton. This service will be broadcast, Evening Worship 6 p.m. Preacher: Rev. J. E. Sandbach.

H.K. VOLUNTEER ORDERS

ORDERS BY COL. H. B. ROSE, M.C., COMMANDANT, HONGKONG VOLUNTEER DEFENCE CORPS.

RECRUITS' MEDICAL EXAMINATION There will be no medical examination on Friday, Jan. 31.

HOLIDAYS Except for matters of very urgent nature Corps Headquarters will be closed on Monday and Tuesday, on account of the Chinese New Year Holidays.

PROMOTION EXAMINATION

RECRUITS The following members of the Mobile Column passed a Promotion Examination held on Friday, 17.1.41. To Sergeant—Cpl. K. Mitchell. To Corporal—L/Cpl. J. E. Jessop.

PARADES

Corps Artillery 1st Battery Jan. 28, (b) H.Q. for D'Agular, 8.30 a.m. Layers examination. Dress—S.D. caps, K.D. jacket, K.D. trousers, boots and belts. Sgt. Daley, Bdr. Anslow, Gms. Bickford, Bruce and Smith. (b) H.Q. for Belchers, 8.30 a.m. D.R.F. Examination. Dress as for (a) above. Gms. Bullock and Butlin. Jan. 30, (b) Belchers, 8.30 a.m. D.R.F. Examination. Dress as for Tues. 28. Gms. Lockhart and Swan. (b) H.Q. 5.30 p.m. B.C.A. Dress—Multi. B.C.A. Class for those detailed.

2nd Battery

Jan. 30, H.Q. for Bluff Head 8 a.m. Day training. Dress as usual. Fitting of clothing and equipment will only take place on Tuesdays at 5.30 p.m. unless prior arrangements have been made with B.Q.M.S.

3rd Battery

Jan. 30, H.Q. 8 a.m. All Sections for Aberdeen. Dress as usual. Jan. 31, St. John's Place, 5.30 p.m. Those detailed. B.C.A. Class. Dress—Multi.

4th Battery

Jan. 30, H.Q. 5.30 p.m. B.C.A. and others as detailed. B.C.A. Class. Dress—Multi.

5th A.A. Battery

There will be no parade next week. Field Company, Engineers Jan. 30, K.C.R. 5.30 p.m. Arms Drill and Musketry Instruction. Dress—Multi.

Corps Signals

Jan. 27, No parade. Jan. 29, H.Q. 2 p.m. (i) D/R Section will not parade. (ii) Area Lines Tests as detailed. (iii) Group "A" Up-grading Tests. Group "C" Signal Training as per programme. (iv) Evening Parade. Signal training for those detailed.

Jan. 31, H.Q. 2 p.m. (i) Kit inspection. All equipment and clothing must be produced. (ii) Group "A" Signal training as per programme. Group "C" Up-grading tests. (iii) Group "C" Field signalling Exercise. (iv) Evening Parade. Signal training as detailed.

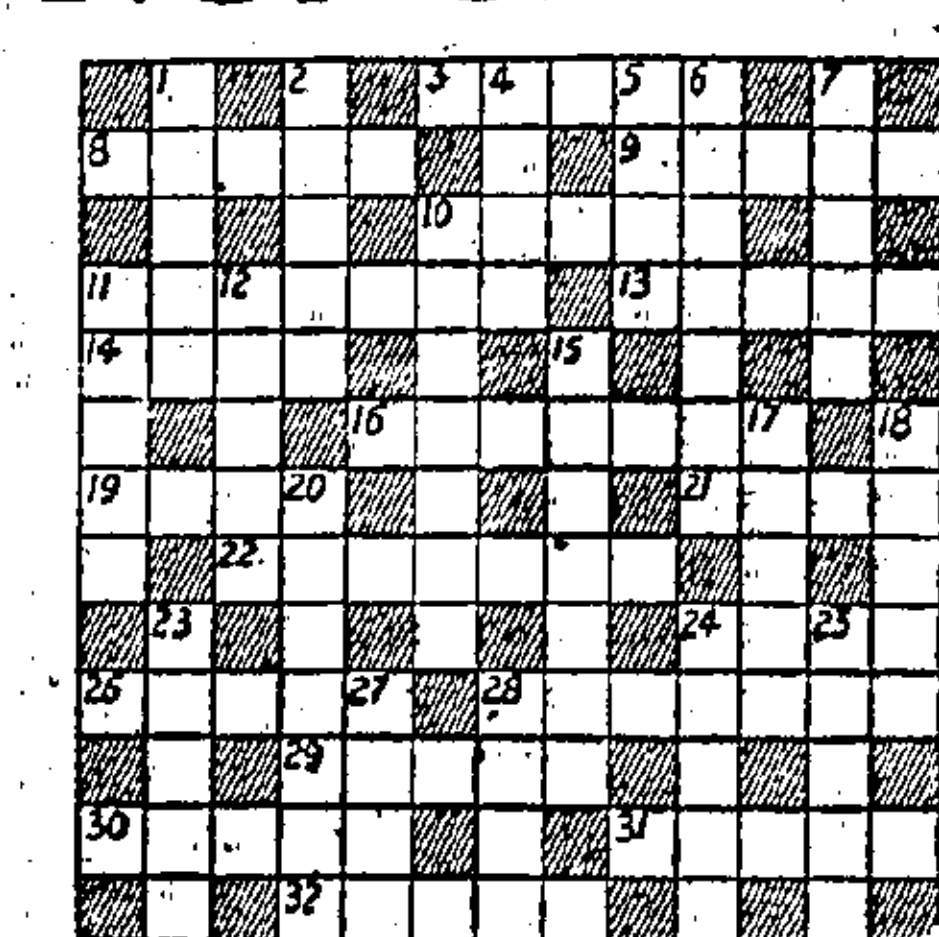
Mobile Column

Jan. 30, H.Q. 5.30 p.m. (i) N.C.O.'s Course. (ii) Lecture. Platoon Officer. Jan. 31, H.Q. 5.30 p.m. Arms drill. March discipline. Dress—Overalls—R.T.R. caps. Equipment—Belt and Bayonet frog. Feb. 2, Stonecutters, M.G., Pt. II. Those not already fired. Details later.

No. 1 Company

Jan. 27 and 28, No parade. Jan. 31, H.Q. 5.30 p.m. Weapon Training per Company programme. No. 2 Company Jan. 28, H.Q. 5.30 p.m. L.G. and M.G. training.

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- ACROSS
3 Incline
8 Colour
9 Precise
10 Listless
11 Plain
13 Wild beast
14 Not so much
16 Decorum
19 Primitive weapon
21 Row
22 Graceful
24 Run away
26 Bad
28 tempered
29 Heretic
29 Throw
30 Eskimo hut
31 Bare
32 Fruit
DOWN
1 Serious

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Solution No. 814
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COMMERCIAL ATTACHES TO SOUTH SEAS
 The Chinese Manufacturers' Union, the Hongkong Chinese General Chamber of Commerce, the Hongkong Branch of the Chinese Products Manufacturing and Sales Association and the Chinese Industrial Service will jointly petition the National Government to despatch commercial attaches to the Chinese Consulates General in Singapore, Batavia and Manila to facilitate the

INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY
 International Women's Day on March 8 will be celebrated throughout Free China. The Central Kuomintang Headquarters have issued a circular order to all women organisations in various provinces and municipalities, instructing them to hold celebration meetings. (Central News.)
 marketing of Chinese products in the South Seas.

RACING ENTRIES

Continued from Page 2

Don't 152. Wonderful Scheme 152. World Fair View 152.

3.—1230 p.m.—Ladies' Purse—Presented with \$1,000 added for Winner. Second \$350. Third \$250. A Handicap for Australian Subscription Ponies classified "B" Class. Winners at the Meeting barred. Jockey Allowance Entrance \$10. Two Miles.

Albury, A Roaring Time, Brutus, Busylight, Connelley, Criffl, Devonian, Fair Chance, Flying Dutchman, Income Tax, Murrumbidgee, Piccadilly Jim, Rivulet, Rowan, Springhurst, Sydney Lad, Tornado Star, Triumphant Day, Vixen Tor.

4.—1.00 p.m.—Jockey Cup.—Winner \$750. Second \$300. Third \$200. A Cup value \$100 will be presented to the winning Jockey. A Handicap for China Ponies classified "C" Class. To be ridden by Jockeys who have not won ten races anywhere at any time. No Whips or Spurs allowed. Entrance \$10. From the Two Mile Post Once Round & In (About One Mile 171 Yards).

Advancing Time 151 lbs. Attacking Time 159. Blue Field 142. Boolat Bay 140. Celtic Star 135. Emergency Unit 140. Eve of Dancing 159. Eve of Folly 159. Galveston Bay 140. Gladiator 135. Guinness Time 135. Jane Doe 150. Just In Time 147. Musketeer 142. Ohio 159. Omaha 159. Patricia 135. Pin-farthings 148. Potentate 149. Rose Evelyn 143. Rose-Jane 152. Rose-Queen 135. Silve. Wings 140. Strathannock 139. Taxing Master 142. Xenophon 159.

5.—1.30 p.m.—Warrego Plate.—Winner \$1,500. Second \$500. Third \$300. For Australian Subscription Ponies of 1941. Weight for inches as per scale.

A Fine Time 152 lbs. Amulet Star 152. Angel of Glory 152. Araxy II 152. Archber 152. A Rosy Time 149. Baggage Master 152. Battle 152. Bendemeer 152. Buckfastleigh 152. Casino 149. Castle Hill 152. Corriedoo 152. Corsair 149. Corvette 152. Dashing Beauty 152. Daylight 152. Dignitas 149. Double Davour 152. Dutch Treat 152. Endeavour 152. Friday 149. Hawaiian Love 152. Hole In One 149. Joan 152. Jungle Love 149. Jus Gentium 149. King's Flight 152. Leading Star 152. Lex Fori 152. Look See 152. Macy 149. Mansall 152. Manhattan 149. Moonlight 149. National Blessings 152. Never-never 152. New-born Star 152. Ogle 152. Red Rabbit 152. Riverbridge 152. Royal Sovereign 152. Santa-Anita 152. Saratoga 152. Seal River 149. Seventy Six 152. Snow White 149. Starlight View 149. Strathalbyn 149. Sunspot 152. Swallow 152. Sydney Diamond 152. Sydney Lady 152. Tenth of November 152. The Hawk 152. Tobacco Shop 149. Trade Wind 149. Twinkling Star 152. United Express 152. Vicar 152. Vitamin M. 152. Wayworth 149. Zadderday 152.

6.—3.00 p.m.—Adelaide Handicap.—Winner \$1,000. Second \$350. Third \$250. For Australian Subscription Ponies classified "D" Class. Jockey Allowance Entrance \$10. One Mile.

A Good Time 135 lbs. A Green Time 150. Amber II 150. Circe 150. Colorado Star 137. Dick Turpin 140. Forehand Drive 135. Grand Allegiance 135. London 135. Lovely Kid 135. National Victory 159. Powerful Kid 159. Pumelo 135. Rising Star 159. Roofly 159. Ruby Star 159. Schmetterling 135. Sea Urchin 135. Surprise Again 143. Tarzan 135. Violet Queen 149.

7.—3.30 p.m.—Austral Hopeful Stakes.—Winner \$1,750. Second \$800. Third \$400. For Australian Ponies. Griffins of this Meeting. Weight for inches as per scale. Winners barred. Jockey Allowance Entrance \$10. One and Three Quarter Miles.

A Blossom Time 152. A Luxurious Time 152. Amusement Tax 152. Canberra 149. Coloma 152. Distant View 152. First Love 152. Fleetwing 152. Gay Fox 152. Gloaming 152. Gracful View 152. Hascossay 152. Hornpipe 152. Iron Belle 152. King's Welcome 149. Locus Standi 152. Marsh Warbler 152. Miss Chalfont 149. Misty View 152. Mountain View 152. National Courage 152. Nomine Poenoe 152. Odin 152. Oracle 149. Pictall 152. Prairie View 152. Ratio Decidendi 152. Riverside 152. Starlight 152. Sunlight 152. The Nineteenth Hole 152. Tropical Love 152. Vanguard 152. Vls Major 152. Woodbridge 152.

8.—4 p.m.—Champion Stakes.—Winner \$3,000. Second \$1,000. Third \$500. For China Ponies. Winners and placed Ponies of a flat race at this Club's Extra Race Meetings held during the second half of the 1940 Season, and/or at this Meeting only. Weight for inches as per scale. Ponies to be ridden by Jockeys who have won at least 10 Official flat races any-

where, or Jockeys approved by the Stewards. Starting Fee \$100. One and a Quarter Miles.

Note:—Entries to be nominated on the day of the race, i.e. Ponies must be declared as starters by posting their names in the relative declaration box in the usual manner.

9.—4.30 p.m.—Australian Ponies Champions.—Winner \$3,500. Second \$1,000. Third \$500. For all Australian Ponies. Winners and placed Ponies of a flat race at this Club's Extra Race Meetings held during the second half of the 1940 Season, and/or at this Meeting only. Weight for inches as per scale. Ponies to be ridden by Jockeys who have won at least ten Official flat races anywhere, or Jockeys approved by the Stewards. Starting Fee \$100. One and a Quarter Miles.

Note:—Entries to be nominated on the day of the race, i.e. Ponies must be declared as starters by posting their names in the relative declaration box in the usual manner.

10.—5 p.m.—Tyro Stakes.—Winner \$1,500. Second \$500. Third \$300. For China Ponies. bona fide Griffins of this Meeting. Weight for inches as per scale. Winners 7 lb. penalty. Jockey Allowance Entrance \$10. One Mile.

Beautylight 152. Charlesber 152. Eve of Grandeur 152. Eve of Illusion 149. Eve of Paradise 152. Glossylight 152. Iron Beauty 152. Leading Time 152. Lovelylight 152. Lovely View 152. Marvellous Scheme 149. Maiber 152. National Confidence 152. National Integrity 152. National Resistance 149. Night Express 152. Odeon (late Alexandria Bay) 152. Oolong 152. Palber 152. Raconteur 152. Rosylight 152. Royber 152. Sam's Choice 149. Sand Trap 152. Sea Foam 152. Spring Time 149. Velvetlight 152. Walber 152. Well Done 152. Wonderful Scheme 152. World Fair View 152.

11.—5.30 p.m.—Austral Grand Stand Stakes.—Winner \$1,750. Second \$800. Third \$400. For Australian Ponies. Griffins of this Meeting. Weight for inches as per scale. Winners barred. Entrance \$10. From the 1 1/2 Mile Post (About Half Mile 170 Yards).

A Blossom Time 152. A Happy Time 152. A Luxurious Time 152. Amusement Tax 152. Canberra 149. Coloma 152. Distant View 152. First Love 152. Fleetwing 152. Gay Fox 152. Gloaming 152. Gracful View 152. Green Diamond 152. Hascossay 152. Hornpipe 152. Iron Belle 152. King's Welcome 149. Locus Standi 152. Man-O-War 152. Marsu Warbler 152. Miss Chalfont 149. Misty View 152. Mountain View 152. National Reform 152. New Moon 152. Nomine Poenoe 152. Odin 152. Ozark 149. Pictall 152. Prairie View 152. Ratio Decidendi 152. Riverside 152. Starlight 152. Subpoena 152. Sunlight 152. The Nineteenth Hole 152. Tropical Love 152. Vanguard 152. Vls Major 152. Woodbridge 152.

12.—6 p.m.—Blue Mountain Plate.—(Second Section).—Winner \$1,500. Second \$500. Third \$300. For Australian Subscription Ponies of 1941. Weight for inches as per scale. Winners barred. Jockey Allowance Entrance \$10. One Mile.

A Just Time 149. Amulet Star 152. Angel of Glory 152. Angel of Peace 149. Anzac Day 149. Arnleber 149. Baggage Master 152. Bandito 149. Bendemeer 152. Black Seal 152. Blue Gown 149. Boneshaker 152. Buckfastleigh 152. Bugle 149. Corriedoo 152. Crack Shot 149. Double Dutch 152. Flying Fortress 152. Friday 149. Gold Rod 149. Gossiper 149. Happy Returns 149. Harmony Star 149. Hawaiian Love 152. High Hat 149. Jus Gentium 149. Lex Fori 152. Lodestar 149. Look See 152. Macy 149. Manhattan 149. May 152. Moonlight 149. National Endurance 152. National Welfare 152. Onhr 152. Optima Fide 152. Princess Adelaide 152. Riverbridge 152. Rocky Beach 152. Saratoga 152. Silver Spear 152. Snow White 149. Sports Lady 149. Starlight View 149. Strathalbyn 149. Sydney Lady 152. Tenth of November 152. Too Hot 152. War Tax 152. Willow 152. Zadderday 152.

HONGKONG SHAREBROKERS' ASSOCIATION

Volume of Business Transacted on Friday, Jan. 24, 1941.

SALES	
China Lights	100 \$ 6.40
China Providents	444 5.75
H.K. Hotels	100 3.55
A.S. Watsons	100 11.15
	744

The total value is \$4,663.00.

Finance and Commerce

HONGKONG SHARE QUOTATIONS

STOCK EXCHANGE. SHAREBROKERS' ASSOCIATION

FRIDAY 24 JAN.				BUYER			
Buyer	Seller	Sales	Nominal	Buyer	Seller	Sales	Nominal
Banks							
H.K. Banks	\$1400	H.K. Banks	...	...	\$1400
Do. (Col. Reg.)	285	Do. (Col. Reg.)	...	...	285
Do. (Lon. Reg.)	282	Do. (Lon. Reg.)	...	...	282
Chartered Banks	281	Chartered Banks	...	...	281
Mercantile Bks. "A"	233	Mercantile Bks. "A"	...	...	233
Mercantile Bks. "C"	211	Mercantile Bks. "C"	...	...	211
Bank of East Asia	Bank of East Asia	...	...	...
N. C. & S. Banks	N. C. & S. Banks	...	...	...
Insurance							
Canton Insurance	\$210	Canton Insurance	...	...	\$210
Union Insurance	\$408	Union Insurance	...	...	\$408
Underwriters	80 ct.	Underwriters	...	...	80 ct.
H. K. Fire	\$165	H. K. Fire	...	...	\$165
Shipping							
Douglases	\$135	Douglases	...	...	\$135
Steamboats	\$100	Steamboats	...	...	\$100
Indo Chinas (Pref.)	\$30	Indo Chinas (Pref.)	...	...	\$30
Indo Chinas (Def.)	45/0	Indo Chinas (Def.)	...	...	45/0
Shells	\$7	Shells	...	...	\$7
Docks, Wharves, Godowns, etc.							
H. K. & K. Wharves	\$98	H. K. & K. Wharves	...	...	\$98
Providents	\$5.70	Providents	...	...	\$5.70
H.K. Docks (Old)	\$18.40	H.K. Docks (Old)	...	...	\$18.40
H.K. Docks (New)	\$17.50	H.K. Docks (New)	...	...	\$17.50
Shanghai Docks	\$34	Shanghai Docks	...	...	\$34
Mining							
Kailans	18/0	Kailans	...	...	18/0
Raubs	92	Raubs	...	...	92
Hong Kong Mines	1 1/2 cts.	Hong Kong Mines	...	...	1 1/2 cts.
Lands, Hotels and Buildings							
H. K. & S. Hotels	\$3.55	H. K. & S. Hotels	...	...	\$3.55
H.K. Lands	\$34 1/2	H.K. Lands	...	...	\$34 1/2
Do. 4% Debentures	\$100	Do. 4% Debentures	...	...	\$100
Shanghai Lands	\$3.85	Shanghai Lands	...	...	\$3.85
H.K. Realities	\$7.95	H.K. Realities	...	...	\$7.95
Rumpleys	\$98	Rumpleys	...	...	\$98
Chinese Estates	\$49	Chinese Estates	...	...	\$49
Cotton Mills	\$205	Cotton Mills	...	...	\$205
Ewo (S.)	\$125	Ewo (S.)	...	...	\$125
S'hai Cottons (S.)	\$18.40	S'hai Cottons (S.)	...	...	\$18.40
Zong Sing (S.)	\$74	Zong Sing (S.)	...	...	\$74
Wing On Textiles (S)	\$34	Wing On Textiles (S)	...	...	\$34
Public Utilities							
H.K. Tramways	\$7.40	H.K. Tramways	...	...	\$7.40
Peak Trams (old)	\$63 1/2	Peak Trams (old)	...	...	\$63 1/2
Peak Trams (new)	\$24 1/2	Peak Trams (new)	...	...	\$24 1/2
Star Ferries	\$6.37 1/2	Star Ferries	...	...	\$6.37 1/2
Ymat Ferries	\$6.30	Ymat Ferries	...	...	\$6.30
China Lights (O)	\$40 1/2	China Lights (O)	...	...	\$40 1/2
China Lights (New)	\$40	China Lights (New)	...	...	\$40
H.K. Electric (Old)	\$167	H.K. Electric (Old)	...	...	\$167
H.K. Electric (New)	\$167	H.K. Electric (New)	...	...	\$167
Macao Electric (Old)	\$11 1/2	Macao Electric (Old)	...	...	\$11 1/2
Macao Electric (New)	\$10.20	Macao Electric (New)	...	...	\$10.20
Sandakan Lights	\$25.35	Sandakan Lights	...	...	\$25.35
Telephones (old)	\$10 1/2	Telephones (old)	...	...	\$10 1/2
Telephones (new)	Telephones (new)	...	...	...
S'pore Tractions (Ord.)	S'pore Tractions (Ord.)	...	...	...
Industrials							
Cald. Macg. (Ord.)	\$25	Cald. Macg. (Ord.)	...	...	\$25
Cald. Macg. (Pref.)	\$1	Cald. Macg. (Pref.)	...	...	\$1
Canton Ice	\$18.10	Canton Ice	...	...	\$18.10
Cements	18/18 1/2	Cements	...	...	18/18 1/2
H.K. Tapes	98 1/2	H.K. Tapes	...	...	98 1/2
H.K. Govt. Loans	98 1/2	H.K. Govt. Loans	...	...	98 1/2
4% Loan	3 1/2	4% Loan	...	...	3 1/2
3 1/2% (1934)	3 1/2	3 1/2% (1934)	...	...	3 1/2
3 1/2% (1940)	3 1/2% (1940)	...	...	...
Miscellaneous							
Dairy Farms	\$19	Dairy Farms	...	...	\$19
Entertainments	\$7	Entertainments	...	...	\$7
Constructions (old)	\$1.65	Constructions (old)	...	...	\$1.65
Constructions (new)	Constructions (new)	...	...	...
Lane Crawford	\$7 1/2	Lane Crawford	...	...	\$7 1/2
Nanyang Tobacco	\$3.30	Nanyang Tobacco	...	...	\$3.30
Sinceres	\$2	Sinceres	...	...	\$2
Watsons	\$11.15	Watsons	...	...	\$11.15
Ch. G. S. 1925 G.S.Bds	35 1/2	Ch. G. S. 1925 G.S.Bds	...	...	35 1/2
H.K. Wing On	\$39	H.K. Wing On	...	...	\$39
S'hai Wing On	\$14	S'hai Wing On	...	...	\$14
Vibro Piling	\$8	Vibro Piling	...	...	\$8
Maramans Inv. (Lon)	Maramans Inv. (Lon)	...	...	...
Maramans Inv. (H.K.)	Maramans Inv. (H.K.)	...	...	...
Wm. Powells	\$1.90	Wm. Powells	...	...	\$1.90
China Lights (Rights)	95	China Lights (Rights)	...	...	95
†Sale to Shanghai	†Sale to Shanghai	...	...	...

WEEKLY RETURNS AND REPORTS

BANK OF ENGLAND

LONDON Jan. 23 (Reuter).		Jan. 16 (000's Omitted)		Jan. 23	
Public Deposits	...	14,790	...	14,790	...
Other Deposits	...	...	...	...	...
Bankers	...	119,200	...	95,130	...
Other Accounts	...	54,310	...	62,510	...
Total	...	173,510	...	157,640	...
Government Securities	...	152,310	...	142,980	...
Other Securities	...	...	...	...	...
Discounts and Advances	...	3,720	...	3,840	...
Securities	...	22,040	...	21,410	...
Total	...	25,760	...	25,250	...
Notes and Coins	...	28,160	...	32,680	...
Total Bullion	...	1,000	...	1,110	...
Notes in circulation	...	602,840	...	598,430	...
Ratio of Reserve to Liabilities	...	14.94%	...	17.86%	...
Price of Gold at which holdings are valued	...	163/-	...	163/-	...

FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

NEW YORK Jan. 23 (Reuter).		Jan. 18 (1940)		Jan. 18		Jan. 23	
Bills Bought	...	2,477,000	...	2,184,000	...	2,184,000	...
U.S. Securities held	...	87.38%	...	81.00%	...	81.00%	...
Federal Reserve Ratio	...	2,515,000	...	2,254,000	...	2,255,000	...
Federal Reserve Credit Outstanding	...	17,965,000	...	22,066,000	...	22,069,000	...
Monetary Gold Stocks	...	10,892,000	...	7,508,000	...	7,500,000	...
Industrial Advances	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

LONDON METALS EXCHANGE

London, Jan. 23 (Reuter).	
Tin, Standard, Cash, Middle	Price, £225-1/8
Tin, Standard, 3 months, Middle	Price, £227-3/8
Market quiet	

BROKERS' LOANS

New York, Jan. 23 (Reuter).	
Loans on securities to brokers in New York	
Wk-ended 18/1/40	16/1/41
23/1/41	
\$498,000,000	\$323,000,000
\$328,000,000	

FOREIGN MARKETS & QUOTATIONS

MONEY AND EXCHANGE

CLOSING QUOTATIONS JANUARY 24, 1941. On London:— Telegraphic Transfer, 1/2 7/8 Bank Bills, on demand 1/2 7/8 Credits 4 months' sight On Shanghai:— On demand 420 On Singapore:— On demand 53 3/4 On Japan:— On demand 102 1/2 On India:— Telegraphic Transfer, 82 1/2 and demand On New York:— Bank Bills, on demand 23 1/2 Credits, 60 days' sight 24 1/4 On Batavia:— On demand 44 On Paris:— Bank Bills, on demand Nom. Credits 4 months' sight Nom. On Saigon:— On demand 102 On Manila:— On demand 47 On Bangkok:— On demand 149 1/2 On Sterling Notes:— Bank Buying Rate ... Nom. Bar Silver per oz. 23 3/18

Market Report

FROM ROZA BROS. Friday, Jan. 24. Silver prices were unchanged yesterday, the quotations remaining at 23 1/8 for Ready and 23 1/8 for Forward. Silver prices reported the market as being steady but quiet. American Silver was quoted at 34 3/4 for Spot. The London/New York cross-rate was quoted at 402 1/2. New York/London was quoted at 403 1/2.

MARKET

STERLING There were sellers at 1/3 January/April, buyers at 1/3 1/32 Cash. U. S. DOLLARS Steadier. A small business was reported at 23 7/8 for Cash. The market closed at 1 p.m. with sellers at 23 13/16 for Cash, small buyers at 23 7/8 for Cash. SHANGHAI DOLLARS Opened with sellers at 435. Subsequently the rate receded to 433 and at the close there were sellers at 434, buyers at 435. SHANGHAI MARKET Sterling opened with sellers for Spot at 329/64. Last advice reported sellers at 37/16 for Spot. U. Dollars opened with sellers at 5 1/2 and last advice reported sellers at 5 15/32 for Spot. AFTERNOON MARKET The market was quiet in the afternoon. STERLING The market closed with sellers at 1/3 January/April, buyers at 1/3 1/32 for Cash. U. S. DOLLARS The market closed with sellers at 23 13/16 for Cash, buyers at 23 7/8 Cash. SHANGHAI DOLLARS Sellers at 434 1/2. SHANGHAI MARKET Sterling at 37/16 and U. S. Dollars at 5 1/32, both sellers for Spot.

Shanghai Exchange

Shanghai, Jan. 24 (Reuters). Official T.T. Rates Opening 0/3-5/16 Closing 0/3-5/16 New York 5-1/4 Japan 22-1/4 India 18-3/8 Paris nominal Hongkong 22 Sterling Sellers Opening 0/3-29/64 Closing 0/3-29/64 Jan. 0/3-29/64 0/3-29/64 Feb. 0/3-27/64 0/3-12/32 U.S. Dollars Spot \$5-1/2 \$5-15/32 Jan. 5-1/2 5-15/32 Feb. 5-7/16 5-7/16 Market—Dull. Silver Duty Rate The Central Bank of China's rate on London at 10 a.m. today was 1/2-1/2d. The Equalisation rate was 22 1/2 per cent. India Rupee Paper Bombay, Jan. 23 (Reuters). Govt. 3 1/2 Rupee, 94-12-0. Calcutta Exchange Calcutta, Jan. 23 (Reuters). T.T. on Japan, 81-1/4.

NEW YORK COMMODITY MARKET (REUTERS SERVICE)

NEW YORK, Jan. 23, 1941. High Low Prev. Today's Change New York Cotton, March 10.41 10.35 10.39 10.41 .02 up New York Rubber, March 19.10 19.10 19.00 19.10 .10 up Chicago Wheat, May 86 85 85 85 1 up Chicago Corn, May 63 63 63 63 1 off New York Hides, March 13.12 13.05 13.02b 13.04b .02 up NEW YORK COTTON Close Opening Closing Change Spot 10.69 10.85 .16 up March 10.39/40 10.41/41 .02 up May 10.42/42 10.44/44 .01 up July 10.31/31 10.33/35 .03 up October 9.87/87 9.92/92 .04 up December 9.80/80 9.87/87 .06 up January (1942) 9.84 N 9.82/82 9.83/83 .19 up Total sales Wednesday:—80,300 bales. Last Notice Day for January Cotton is January 23, 1941 (Date of Delivery). NEW YORK RUBBER March 19.00/03 19.00b 10.10/10 .10 up May 18.93b/19.00a 19.01/01 .11 up July (New contract) 18.85 N 18.91/91 18.94b/95a .09 up September 18.75 B 18.75b 18.84/84 .09 up Total sales:—270 tons. CHICAGO WHEAT May 85 1/8 85 1/8 85 1/8 1 up July 79 1/8 79 1/8 79 1/8 1 up September 80/80 80 1/8 80 1/8 1 up Wednesday's sales:—3,203,000 bushels. CHICAGO CORN May 83 1/8 83 1/8 83 1/8 1 up July 83 1/8 83 1/8 83 1/8 1 up September 83 1/8 83 1/8 83 1/8 1 up NEW YORK HIDES March 13.02b/10a 13.15/22 13.04b/06a .02 up June 12.67b/70a 12.77/80 12.74/74 .07 up Total sales for the day:—136 contracts. NEW YORK COCOA March 4.98 N 4.98b/99a 4.95/95 .03 off May 5.05 N 5.05/05 5.02 N .03 off NEW YORK SUGAR NO. 3 March 2.00b/01a 2.01b/02a .01 up May 2.05b/06a 2.06b/07a .01 up Volume of business done:—238 lots. NEW YORK SUGAR NO. 4 March 76 1/8 76 1/8 75 1/8 76 1/8 .01 off May 79 1/8 79 1/8 78 1/8 79 1/8 .00 1/2 off Volume of business done:—35 lots. NEW YORK COPPER FUTURES March 11.45b/55a 11.45b/50a 11.37b/45a .08 off July 11.38b/48a 11.35b/45a 11.30b/40a .08 off N.Y. Official Silver 34-3/4 34-3/4 4.03-1/2 NY-London Cross Rate 4.03-1/2

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE (REUTERS SERVICE)

London, Jan. 23. The following quotations are the middle prices at the close of the market in London. All quotations are subject to confirmation and no responsibility is assumed for errors in transmission. War Loan, 3 1/2 (Red, after 1952) 103 1/2 Defence Loan, 3 1/2 101 1/2 Canton-K'loon Ry. 5% 13 Chinese 4 1/2 Gold Loan 1898 (Brit. Issue) 44 Chinese 5% Gold Bonds, 1925/47 42-47 Chin. 4 1/2 Anglo-French Loan, 1908 46 Chinese 5% Crisp Loan, 1912 20 Chinese 5% Reorg. Loan, 1913 (Ldn. Is.) 34 Chinese 5 1/2 Ster. Notes, 1925 (Vickers) 10 Chin. Imperial Ry. 5% 47 Loan 47 Homan Ry. 5% 16 (Lukuang Ry. 5%, 1911 (L.P. N.Y. Issue) 15 Lukuang Ry. 5%, 1911 (German Issue) 13 Lung Tsing & U. Hai Ry. 5% 1913 14 S'hai-N'King Ry. 5% 16 Tientsin-Pukow Ry. 5% (Brit. Stpd.) 15 Tientsin-Pukow Ry. 5% (German Stpd.) 15 Tientsin-Pukow Ry. 5% (Brit. Stpd. Supl. Loan) 15 Tientsin-Pukow Ry. 5% (Ger. Stpd. Supl. Loan) 15 Jap. 5% Ster. Loan, 1924 21 1/2 Ger. 7% Intl. Loan, 1924 5 1/2 Chartered Bank 8 1/2 H.K. & S'hai Bank (Ldn. Reg.) 82 H.K. & S'hai Bank (Col. Peg) 85 Chinese Eng. & Mining (bearer) 18/0 Chosen Corporation 4 1/2 Mercantile Bank of India, £5, "G" 11 1/2 Pekin Syndicate 1/6 S'hai Elec. Constr. Co. 15 1/2 S'hai Waterworks "A" 13 1/2 Union Insurance 20 Gula Kalumpung Rubber 15 1/2 Lom. Mid. & Scot. Ry. 14 1/2 Great Western Ry. 35 1/2

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London, Jan. 23 (Reuters). Bar Gold, Fine per oz. 189/-

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DOW JONES AVERAGE

1940/41. High Low Dow Jones Averages Jan. 22, 1941. Close Change 192.80 111.54 30 Industrials 128.65 128.15 127.74 128.34 .59 off 32.67 32.15 20 Rails 29.28 29.70 28.41 28.45 .24 up 26.45 18.03 20 Utilities 20.18 20.43 20.16 20.27 .09 up 92.13 83.06 40 Bonds 91.98 91.98 91.95 .03 off 64.07 48.47 11 Commodity Index 56.41 56.41 56.53 .12 up Business Done:—470,000 shares

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RADIO PROGRAMMES

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TOMORROW

HAYDN SYMPHONY NO. 88

IN G MAJOR

Book Reviews

11.00 a.m. Relay of Morning Service from St. Andrew's Church.

12.15 p.m. Cesar Franck—Prelude, Aria and Finale.

Alfred Cortot (Piano).

12.38 Gounod's "Faust" Act I.

Characters and Soloists in order of appearance: Faust—Heddie Nash.

(Tenor); Mephistopheles—Robert Easton (Bass) and The B.B.C. Choir.

with Orchestra, conducted by Sir Thomas Beecham.

1.00 Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 Songs by Peter Dawson (Bass-Baritone).

Bedouin Love Song (Pinsuit); The Bandolero (Stuart). Deep Sea Mariner (McCall).

1.14 J. H. Squire Celeste Oset.

Memories of Chopin (arr. Willoughby). Valse Bluette—Air De Ballet (Drigo); Narcissus (Nevin). Collette (Valse) (Fraser-Simson).

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press. Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.45 Berlioz—Symphonie Fantastique, Op. 14.

1st Mov: Reveries Passions; 2nd Mov: Un Bal; 3rd Mov: Scene aux champs; 4th Mov: Marche au Supplice; 5th Mov: Songe d'une nuit de Sabbat—Orchestre De La Societe Des Concerts Du Conservatoire.

2.30 Close down.

5.45 Indian Programme.

7.00 London Relay—The News.

7.15 London Relay—Questions of the Hour.

7.30 Light Orchestral Music.

Southern Holiday—A Fantasy of Negro Moods (Foresythe)—The B.B.C. Dance Orchestra directed by Henry Hall.

Hungarian Melodies (Lopold). Gipsy Idyll (arr. Ferraris)—Constantine Vladescu (Cymbalum Virtuoso) and His Gipsy Orch. Under the Balcony (Hayens). Parade of the Pirates (Bratton). Alfredo Campoli and His Orchestra. Midnight Rose (Derlanger)—Symphony Orchestra.

8.00 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 Piano Recital by Egon Petri.

Sonata in E Minor, Op. 90 (Beethoven)—1st Mov: Con Vivacita; 2nd Mov: Mon troppo presto e molto cantabile. Gretchen Am Spinnrade (Schubert—arr. Liszt). Concert Study in D Flat Major (Liszt).

8.25 Selections from Stainer's "The Crucifixion."

Processional to Calvary—Trinity Choir with Mark Andrews at the Organ.

Processional to Calvary Part 2—Richard Crooks with Trinity Choir & Mark Andrews at Organ. And When They Were Come—Lawrence Tibbett with Trinity Choir with Organ. Cross of Jesus—Trinity Choir with Organ. He Made Himself—Lawrence Tibbett with Organ. King Ever Glorious—Richard Crooks (Tenor) with Mark Andrews at the Organ.

8.45 Studio—Book Reviews.

9.00 London Relay—The News and News Commentary.

9.30 Haydn—Symphony No. 88 in G Major.

1st Mov: Adagio—Allegro; 2nd Mov: Largo; 3rd Mov: Menuetto (Allegretto) and Trio; 4th Mov: Finale (Allegro con spirito)—N.B.C. Symphony Orchestra conducted by Arturo Toscanini.

9.55 Three Songs by Dennis Noble (Baritone).

She Shall Have Music (Brandon Murray). Son O' Mine (from "Freebooter Songs"—Wallace). The Revel (from "Freebooter Songs"—Wallace).

10.05 Handel—Concerto Grosso, No. 4, Op. 6.

The Boyd Neel String Orchestra.

Colony's Favourable Trade Balance: Increase In Imports And Exports

According to an official report released for publication by the Superintendent of Imports and Exports the combined values of the Colony's imports and exports of merchandise during the year 1940 amounted to \$1,374.5 millions (£83.1 millions) as compared with \$1,127.6 millions (£69.3 millions) in 1939, and \$1,130.0 millions (£69.9 millions) in 1938.

In terms of local currency the total visible trade of the Colony increased by 21.9 per cent. in 1940 as compared with 1939, and by 21.6 per cent. as compared with 1938.

In terms of sterling the total visible trade increased by 22.8 per cent. in 1940 as compared with 1939, and by 21.7 per cent. as compared with 1938.

Imports

Imports of merchandise totalled \$752.7 (£46.6) millions in 1940 as compared with \$594.2 (£36.5) millions in 1939, and \$618.1 (£38.2) millions in 1938; whilst exports totalled \$621.8 (£38.5) millions in 1940 as compared with \$533.4 (£32.8) millions in 1939, and \$511.9 (£31.7) millions in 1938.

In terms of local currency imports of merchandise in 1940 increased by 26.7 per cent. as compared with 1939, and by 21.8 per cent. as compared with 1938; whilst exports increased by 16.6 per cent. as compared with 1939, and by 21.5 per cent. as compared with 1938.

In terms of sterling value im-

ports of merchandise increased by 27.7 per cent. in 1940 as compared with 1939, and by 22.0 per cent. as compared with 1938; whilst exports increased by 17.4 per cent. in 1940, as compared with 1939, and by 21.5 per cent. as compared with 1938.

QUARTERLY COMPARISONS

The following comparative tables show the quarterly values of imports and exports of merchandise since 1938 in £'s and \$'s millions:

	Imports		
	1938	1939	1940
1st Qr.	\$10.0	7.8	12.2
2nd Qr.	\$152.1	125.5	193.3
3rd Qr.	\$11.1	10.7	13.7
4th Qr.	\$180.1	175.5	221.3
Total	\$382.2	365.5	466.6
	\$511.9	594.2	752.7

Exports

	Exports		
	1938	1939	1940
1st Qr.	\$ 8.4	7.4	9.4
2nd Qr.	\$135.4	120.5	152.2
3rd Qr.	\$ 8.3	9.2	10.8
4th Qr.	\$134.5	149.5	174.7
Total	\$231.7	328.3	385.5
	\$511.9	533.4	621.8

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Full Bulletin 6.45 p.m.

do. 7.00 p.m.

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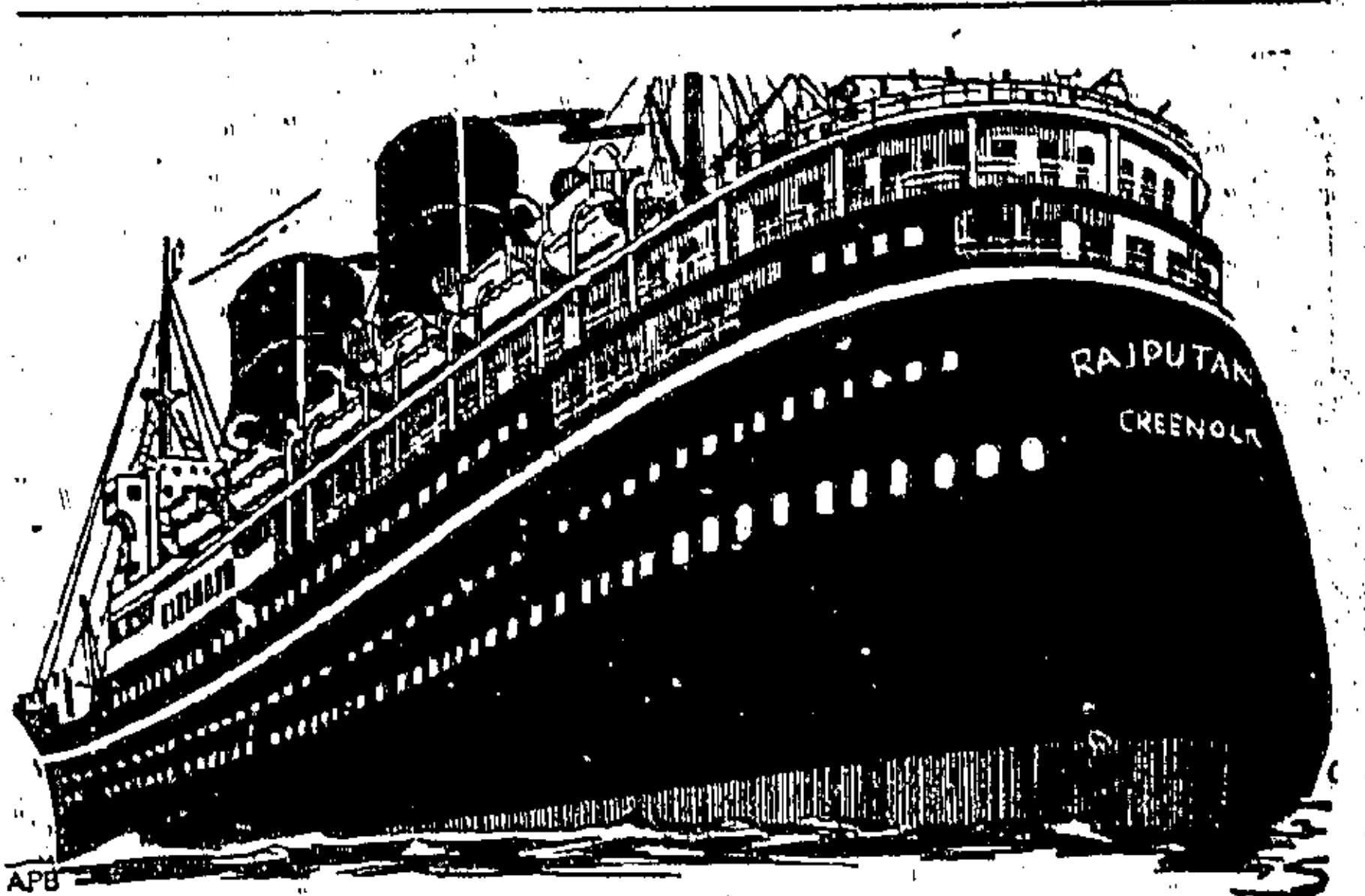
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Transmission I—News Summary

Full Bulletin 4.00 p.m.

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Full Bulletin 6.45 p.m.

do. 7.00 p.m.

do. 9.00 p.m.

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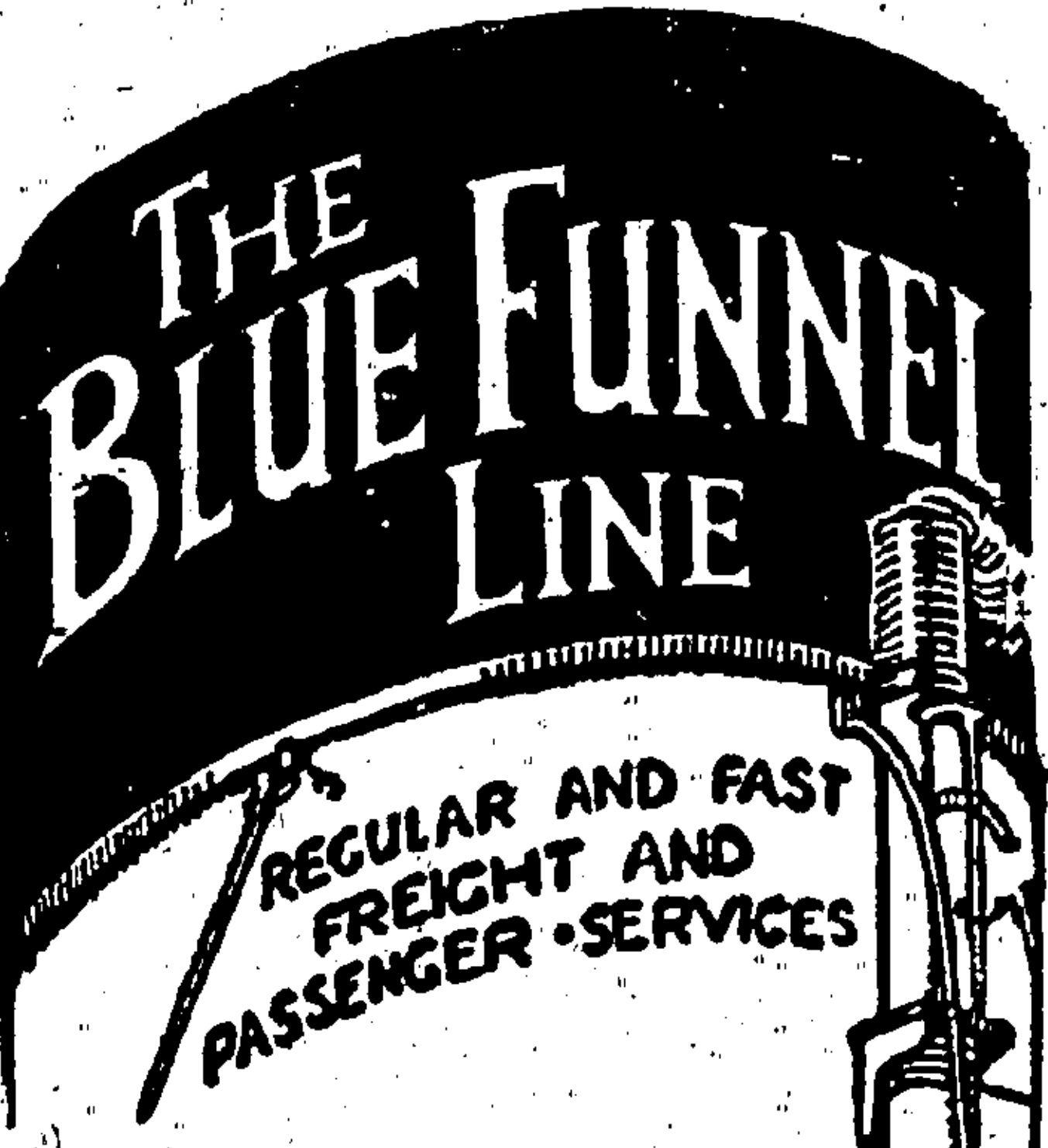
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CORPS OF 3,000
AIMED AT

A census of all the women and children in the Colony in scheme to ascertain how many are living in each building in the different A.R.P. districts is now being undertaken by the corps of Air Raid Wardens. It was revealed by the Director of A.R.P., Wing-Commander A. H. S. Steele-Perkins, at his weekly press conference yesterday.

All these women and children will be given explicit instructions to which shelter or dispersal area they are to make for in the event of an air raid.

The new Corps of Fire Watchers and Fire Fighters is now being recruited and there have been more than a hundred volunteers in the first few days. The A.R.P. Department is striving to recruit 3,000 men for the Corps and volunteers are very welcome.

Mr. G. A. Penfreh, Chief Air Raid Warden for Hongkong, has been seconded to supervise the training of the new Corps in conjunction with the Fire Brigade.

MOBILE DEMONSTRATION

The Mobile Lighting Demonstration Unit has been attracting a great many people every night throughout the past week and has proved a great success. The Director of A.R.P. stated:

There will be no further demonstrations by the unit until Monday evening, Feb. 3, after the Chinese New Year holidays, when one unit will tour Hingmoh District and another will tour Central District. The Unit will give demonstrations in the evening throughout the following week.

There are a good number of Anderson shelters, suitable for rigging up in a garden or an unused garage, available at the moment. These may be purchased through the A.R.P. Department. The cost is \$147 and the shelters provide a high degree of safety for from six to eight people.

INCENDIARY BOMB

An incendiary bomb exercise was staged at the Peak School yesterday evening when residents and A.R.P. Wardens on the Peak, the majority of them houseboys, were given an opportunity to receive instruction on how to deal with such bombs.

Methods of extinguishing fires started by these bombs were demonstrated and wardens were instructed on what precautions to take to prevent explosions.

WEATHER REPORT

Hongkong Royal Observatory

10 a.m. Jan. 24.

Barometre, (at sea level) 30.01

ins.

Temperature, 63 F.

Humidity, 81 per cent.

Wind Direction, N.

Wind Force (Beaufort), 3.

Temperature: Maximum yesterday 77 F.

Temperature: minimum last night 63 F.

Rainfall for 24 hrs. ending 10 a.m. today, 0.08 ins.

Total rainfall since January 1st 3.78 ins.

Against an average of 0.62 ins.

Sunset tonight, 06.00 p.m.

Sunrise tomorrow, 7.04 a.m.

4 p.m., Jan. 24.

Barometre (at sea level), 29.95 ins.

Temperature, 62 F.

Humidity, 74 per cent.

Wind Direction, NNE.

Wind Force (Beaufort), 3.

Maximum temperature, 70 F.

Minimum temperature, 62 F.

Rainfall nil.

HONG KONG TIDE TABLE

From 25 to 31 Jan. 1941.

HIGH WATER. LOW WATER

Days of Week Days of Month Hong Kong Standard Time Height Hong Kong Standard Time Height

Sat. 25 h. m. f. t. h. m. f. t.

19.58 7.4 12.10 3.4

Sun. 26 09.49 4.5 03.04 0.9

20.45 7.8 12.47 3.4

Mon. 27 10.37 4.8 03.39 0.7

21.37 7.8 14.28 3.2

Tues. 28 11.03 4.7 01.13 0.0

22.08 7.4 15.17 3.0

Wed. 29 11.28 4.9 04.47 0.7

22.42 7.2 15.67 2.9

Thurs. 30 12.08 4.9 05.17 1.0

23.14 6.7 16.39 2.9

Fri. 31 12.38 5.0 05.48 1.3

23.42 6.2 17.23 3.1

GUILD OF
MARTHA
AND MARY

NEW PRESIDENT
ELECTED

The annual meeting of the Guild of Martha and Mary was held in the Vicarage of Christ Church last evening when Mrs. C. G. Anderson and Mrs. G. A. Goodban were elected President and Vice-President, respectively. Mrs. M. Gaggino and Mrs. B. R. Kew, Hon. Secretary and Treasurer. Members of the Committee are Mesdames W. Kalle, L. Woolley, F. E. E. Booker and A. Prew.

It was decided that lectures and discussions of a more instructive nature be held in the future. The contribution of \$100 from the Guild to the Tai Po Rural House and Orphanage was passed.

36 MEMBERS

The Rev. D. Rosenthal, who was and Orphanage was passed. "We have 36 members, nine of them are still away. There are now 27 including one new member."

"We had two jumble sales during the year, the first one together with the V. D. M. A. Group in May, when we made \$62. The second in Oct. took \$51, which was spent in obtaining materials and wool to work for the Fair. From the Guild Funds we have sent \$100 to Wuhu for new vestments for the Church and \$100 for the Diocesan Girls' School."

Hitler May
Be Forced

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Mr. Lakin went on to state that Mr. Churchill's promise of tearing the Italian Empire to pieces was becoming more and more real. Germany's help to Italy with her air force units had not stopped that tearing up process.

"Nor are our people disturbed by the German threats," he said. "British policy goes on and will go on. The Italians have evacuated a huge area in Libya. Haile Selassie entered his own kingdom nine days ago and in Kenya our forces are harassing the enemy."

Mr. Lakin declared that all these successes had to be taken in conjunction with the successes of the Greeks in Albania where too the Italians were retreating with heavy losses. Adding all that up, one could hardly call them mere local successes.

THE BALKANS

"The effect of these victories on the will to resist in South-East Europe cannot be doubted," said Mr. Lakin, who then went on to refer to the conditions in Rumania, where General Antonescu now claimed to have restored order. Some of the rebels were still reported to be holding out in one or two provincial towns and in a new appeal to the nation General Antonescu admitted that attempts to reach a settlement having been in vain, he ordered his army to intervene.

"I see that the Germans, who have as many as eight divisions in Rumania, have fallen back on the old trick of blaming Britain," said Mr. Lakin. "We are now responsible for the disorders which are making a farce of Herr Hitler's 'new order' in Rumania."

"Herr Hitler must see the situation clearly. Protection of Rumania will not now be enough for him. The German detachments will have to become an army of occupation."

HELP FROM U.S.

Turning to news from the United States and the effect of President Roosevelt's fireside chat and the growing strength of American help for Britain, Mr. Lakin referred to a recent straw vote which was taken in the United States after Mr. Roosevelt's speech.

"The question was asked: 'which of these two things would you do—try to keep out of war ourselves or help England to win, even at the risk of getting into war.'"

"The reply showed," said Mr. Lakin, "that 68 per cent. had been in favour of helping Britain."

Mr. Lakin next referred to the evidence given by Col. Lindbergh on the "lease and lend" bill. He said that Col. Lindbergh had been bamboozled by the Nazis and pointed out that when Col. Lindbergh came to England after his family tragedy he had been treated with great understanding which showed true democratic spirit, which according to Col.

ANNUAL MEETING
OF ASIA LANDS

Mr. L. Kadoorie (Chairman) presided at the annual meeting of the Asia Lands, Ltd., held yesterday in the Board Room of Messrs Lowe, Bingham, and Matthews.

Among those present were Messrs. G. Miskin, and John Fleming (Directors), and Mr. A. E. Gutierrez.

Presenting his report the Chairman said, in part:

"I regret that the Accounts laid before you show a loss of \$64,070.75, but this includes the item of Depreciation on the Company's properties amounting to \$46,533.41 so that the net working loss for the year amounts to \$17,537.34."

Income from our Po Tak Wharf has remained at the same level as last year but, unfortunately we have had to expend some \$5,500.00 on essential repairs, which we trust will suffice for some time. Whatever hope we may have had of a better return from the Hing Kee Wharf has not been realised. Conditions in the river trade having remained unchanged throughout the year. From August last, this wharf, for a period of three months, had a tenant not engaged in the river trade but what then appeared a very welcome change from our usual dependence on that trade did not last on account of the extension of Japanese activities to Indo-China.

CONSIDERABLE REPAIRS

Our house properties are all fully occupied at reasonable rentals but repairs have been considerable.

Our Bank overdraft on "General" Account has been slightly reduced notwithstanding the outlay on repairs. However, an increase of about \$11,000.00 has taken place in our Bank overdraft on "Piers" Account due to the heavy outlay on wharf repairs and renewals already referred to, and to the fact that income from Hing Kee Wharf was insufficient to meet Bank interest on the relative loan.

IMPORT OF
FOODSTUFFS

The following communiqué has been received from the Controller of Food:

"The attention of the public is again drawn to the following Government Notification which appeared in the Government Gazette of Dec. 13, 1940:—

In future the procedure set out in Government Notification No. 665 of June 11, 1940, for the endorsement of orders for foodstuffs from the United Kingdom for consignment to Hongkong will apply only to grains (all) and vegetable oils, other than groundnut, soya bean, coconut, cotton seed, olive, palm and palm kernel oils.

The import into Hongkong of other foodstuffs from the United Kingdom will be subject to the issue of an appropriate import licence, under the hand of the Controller of Food. Full information as to the conditions of such a licence in respect of the various kinds of foodstuffs may be obtained from the Controller of Food.

OLD CHELTONIAN
ANNUAL DINNER

The Old Cheltonians' annual dinner was held at the Hongkong Club last night and proved a highly enjoyable function. Dr. S. W. Ts'o, who was at Cheltenham from 1888 to 1890, was in the Chair, and there was an attendance of 12.

Toasts were proposed to the King, the College and the Fighting Services.

In view of the approaching Centenary of the College, this summer, the question was discussed of honouring the occasion with a special dinner.

Old Cheltonians present were Dr. Ts'o, Mr. G. G. N. Tinson, Mr. H. C. Macnamara, Major W. A. C. H. Morgan, Major W. T. Temple, Capt. J. H. Brown, 2/Lt. J. H. Fox, Mr. J. F. Lee, Mr. F. L. Thomas, Mr. J. L. Isley, Mr. G. A. Churchill and Mr. L. C. Baker.

Lindbergh did not now exist in England.

"What took place in the House of Commons in the debate on the question of man-power was an example of this democracy of ours," said Mr. Lakin. "Can you imagine such a debate taking place in Germany or Italy?"

Mr. Lakin said that Mr. Churchill realised this fundamental fact and welcomed the debate as a true democrat. Mr. Churchill, had as a matter of fact, really enjoyed himself over the debate.

FOREIGN MAILS

HONGKONG, SATURDAY, 25th JANUARY, 1941, 9.30 A.M.

CHINESE NEW YEAR HOLIDAYS

On Monday, the 27th January, the General Post Office and all Branch Post Offices will be entirely closed. There will be no collection from the pillar-boxes and no delivery by Postmen.

On Tuesday, the 28th January, the General Post Office and Kowloon Central Post Office will be open from 8 a.m. to noon. Sheungwan Branch Post Office will be open from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. and the other Branch Post Offices will be entirely closed.

There will be one collection from the pillar-boxes as on Sunday and one delivery of registered and ordinary correspondence at 11 a.m. on Tuesday, 28th January.

There will also be one delivery of ordinary correspondence at 11 a.m. on 28th January from the Branch Post Offices at Stanley, Taiipo and Un Long.

The Money Order Office will be entirely closed during the holidays.

Small Packet Post to all countries is suspended.

INWARD MAILS

From	Due
Swatow	25th Jan.
Canton	26th Jan.
United Kingdom and Straits	28th Jan.
Calcutta and Straits	28th Jan.
U. S. A., Honolulu, Japan, and Shanghai (San Francisco date 10th January)	29th Jan.
Air Mail by "Pan-American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 22nd January	30th Jan.
Sandakan	30th Jan.
Canton	30th Jan.
Calcutta and Straits	31st Jan.
Java and Manila	5th Feb.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco date 17th January)	8th Feb.

OUTWARD MAILS

Registered and Parcel Mail are closed 15 minutes earlier than the time given below unless otherwise stated, and where mails are advertised to close at or before 9 a.m. registered and parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m. on the previous day. When mails are advertised to close after 5 p.m., Registered and Parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m.

For	Date and Time
SATURDAY	Sat. 25th
Air Mail by Sea to Singapore to connect with the "British Overseas Airways"	Reg. 4.30 PM Ord. 6.00 PM
Straits and Rangoon	6.30 PM
SUNDAY	Sun. 26th
Canton	6.00 PM
TUESDAY	Tue. 28th
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, U. S. A., Canada, Central and South America via San Francisco	G.P.O. & K.P.O. Reg. 2.5th 6.00 PM Ord. 2.5th 8.30 AM
WEDNESDAY	Wed. 29th
Manila, Batavia and Sourabaya	8.30 AM
Manila, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island	G.P.O. & K.P.O. Reg. 2.45 PM Ord. 3.30 PM
Straits, Ceylon, India, East and South Africa	3.30 PM
Rangoon and Calcutta	3.30 PM
THURSDAY	Thu. 30th
Straits, Ceylon, India, East and South Africa, and parcels only for United Kingdom	G.P.O. & K.P.O. Par. 2.5th 5.0 PM Reg. 3.0th 9.45 AM Ord. 3.0th 10.30 AM
Formosa	3.30 PM
K.P.O.	Reg. 5.00 PM Ord. 6.30 PM
Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu, U. S. A., & Europe via "Pan American Airways and Trans-Atlantic Services"	G.P.O. Reg. 6.00 PM Ord. 7.00 PM
Canton	7.00 PM
FRIDAY	Fri. 31st
Sandakan	8.30 AM
K.P.O.	Reg. 10.30 AM Ord. 11.00 AM
G.P.O.	Reg. 10.30 AM Ord. 11.00 AM
Air Mail by Sea to Singapore to connect with the "British Overseas Airways"	Parcels 11.00 AM Letters Noon
Straits and Calcutta	K.P.O. Reg. 4.00 PM Ord. 4.30 PM
G.P.O.	Reg. 4.00 PM Ord. 4.30 PM
Air Mail by Air to Rangoon to connect with the "British Overseas Airways"	Reg. 4.00 PM Ord. 4.30 PM
TUESDAY	Tue. Feb. 4th
Manila and parcels only for United Kingdom	G.P.O. & K.P.O. Par. 3/3 6.00 PM Ord. 4/3 8.30 AM
Macassar and Sourabaya	8.30 AM
WEDNESDAY	Wed. 5th
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., Canada, Central and South America and United Kingdom via San Francisco. (No parcels for United Kingdom)	K.P.O. Parcels 4.00 PM Reg. 5.00 PM Ord. 5.30 PM
G.P.O.	Parcels 4.00 PM Reg. 5.00 PM Ord. 7.00 PM
Note:—All Mails for United Kingdom will be forwarded with or without superscription	
THURSDAY	Thu. 6th
Straits and Calcutta	Parcels 10.30 AM Letters 11.30 AM
SATURDAY	Sat. 8th
Manila, Straits, Ceylon, India, East and South Africa via Cape Town	5.30 PM

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